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Town of Freedom New Hampshire

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2011
Vital Statistics for 2011

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This report is dedicated to
Ernest "Ernie" Day Sr.

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Town Officers

Town of
Freedom New Hampshire

Town Treasurer 1997 to 1998

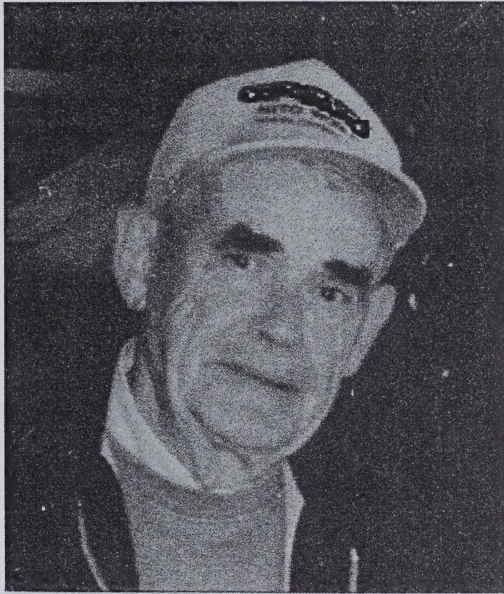
Town Auditor 1994 to 1995, 1994 to 2003

Town Consultant 1991 to present

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Ernest "Ernie" Day Sr.



Town Treasurer 1992 to 1993
Town Auditor 1991 to 1992, 1994 to 2005
Financial Consultant 1991 to present

During Ernie's term as treasurer and then auditor he saw more of a need to be filled that came without a title; our financial advisor, town accountant and all around go to guy for anything financial. The Town has been very fortunate for the dedication and hours spent sharing his knowledge of accounting and training of the current financial director (Town Administrator). Ernie was also very instrumental in setting up some of the financial procedures and reports that we continue to use today. So at this time we at the Town Office would like to give our most heartfelt ***Thank You!***

In memory of
Ruth E. Jones



Town and School Clerk 1972-1984

Ruth first appeared as a "Freedom Faithful" in 1990 and with her passing and the love the townspeople had for Ruth, it is fitting that she be remembered for her service to the town. Ruth passed away this fall just short of her 100th birthday.

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TOWN OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

Moderator: Donald G. Johnson, 2012

Selectmen

Neal Boyle, 2012
Scott Cunningham, 2013
Leslie Babb, 2014

Town Administrator

Karen Hatch

Administrative Assistant

Linda Farinella

Road Agent

Scott Brooks, 2013

Police Chief

Josh Shackford

Fire Chief/FF Warden

Gene Doe, Jr.

Emergency Management Directors

Gene Doe/Justin Brooks

Safety Officer

Kelly McClare

Animal Control

JoAnne Gayer

Health Officer

Pamela Fortin Resigned

Town Clerk

A. Elizabeth Priebe, 2013

Treasurer

Pamela Clemens-Keith, 2013

Tax Collector

Annette Babb, 2014
Amanda Feuerborn, Deputy

Supervisors of the Checklist

Patricia McCoy, 2014
Daniel Brooks, 2016
Carol Stansell, 2017

Cemetery Trustees

Dorothy Brooks, 2012 Appointed
Donna Cupka, 2013
Dean Robertson, 2014
Peter Park Resigned

Trustee of Trust Funds

Patricia McCoy, 2012
Kimberly Reis, 2012 Appointed
Eric Bossidy, 2014

Transfer Station Manager

Justin Brooks

Town Buildings Custodian

Mark McKinley

Zoning Officer

Ned Hatfield

Building Inspector

Robert Babine

Conservation Commission

Gregory Bossart, 2012

Susan Hoople, 2012

Michael Gaudette, 2012 Resigned

William Elliott, 2012 Appointed

Justin Brooks, 2013

Robert Hatch, 2013

Alice Custard, 2014

Robert Oram, 2014

Jim McElroy, 2014

Town Forest Advisory Committee

Chuck Depew, 2012

Robert Hatch, 2013

Ron Newbury, 2013

David Charrette, 2014

Janet Meyers, 2014

Janet Johnson, 2014

Planning Board

Janet Meyers, 2012

Peter Park, 2012

Anne Cunningham, 2013

Pamela Clemens-Keith, 2013

Beth Earle, 2014

Ernie Day, Jr., 2014

William Elliott, Alt 2013

Peter Schiller, Alt 2014

Les Babb, Sel. Rep.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Craig Niiler, 2012

Timothy Cupka, 2012

Karl Ogren, 2013

Jacob Stephan, 2013

Scott Lees, 2014

Howard Bouvé, Alt 2012

Todd Desmarais, Alt 2013

Maynard Thomson, Alt 2013

Kim Cyr, Alt 2013

Paul Wheeler, Alt 2014

Library Trustees

Margaret Scully, 2012

MaryAnn Hogan, 2013

Thomas Luke, 2014

Laura Robinson, Alt 2012

Heritage Commission

Bonnie Burroughs, 2012

Alan Fall, 2012

Carol Foord, 2012

Gale Morris, 2013

Peg Scully, 2014

Robert Smart, 2014

Raymond Dahlstrom, Alt 2012

Alice Spear, Alt 2012

Gail Bizer, Alt 2012

Deborah Fauver, Alt 2012

Lee Fritz, Alt 2012

Scott Cunningham, Sel. Rep 2012

RULES OF PROCEDURE

According to RSA 40, the town Moderator determines the procedures to be used in Town Meetings. The Moderator determines the rules without regard to parliamentary or other procedural rules. The voters can overturn the Moderator's rules at any time, however. A motion to overturn the Moderator's rules, or establish new rules, will always take precedence to other business which is already "on the floor".

So that you will know the ground rules by which we are maintaining order, these procedural rules are announced to you ahead of time.

- The Moderator will read each article in its entirety before that article is considered.
- There can be no discussion until there has been a motion under the article. (usually the first motion is to approve the article as it appears on the warrant)
- All motions must be seconded by a different individual.
- Discussion will only take place after a motion has been moved and seconded.
- All discussion must take place only when called upon by the Moderator. You must have permission from the Moderator before you can speak.
- When the Moderator recognizes you, standup, speak out loudly and announce your name before proceeding with your comments.
- If you want to change a portion of a motion, you can do so by making an amendment. We will consider only one move to amend at any given time. When discussion regarding an amendment comes to a conclusion, the amendment will be voted upon. If the amendment passes we will then continue considering the original motion as it has now been amended. If the amendment fails, we will return to considering the motion in its form prior to the motion to amend.
- A secret written ballot will be used on any article when requested by any 5 voters in writing (RSA 40:4-a).
- A vote will be re-tabulated by secret written ballot when requested in writing or orally by only 7 voters (RSA 40:40b). This action must be requested before we have already moved onto the next item of business.

One final word of advice from your Moderator: If you want to get action from the Town Meeting, you have to make a motion. It's okay to get up and ask a question or make a comment (as long as it's relevant to what's on the table), but if you want the Town Meeting to discuss and vote on your idea, you have to get it on the table with a motion. Let's work together to have a successful and efficient meeting.

Thank you,
Donald Johnson, Moderator

TOWN OF FREEDOM, N.H.
TOWN MEETING - MARCH 8, 2011
WARRANT - MINUTES

Town Meeting and the election of officers for the town and school district were both held on Tuesday, March 8, 2011, commencing at 9:00 a.m., at the Freedom Town Hall.

The Moderator, Donald Johnson, first swore in the election officials not previously sworn to duty, and opened the polls at 9:00 a.m., then proceeded upstairs in the Town Hall and commenced Town Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. The Moderator introduced himself and noted that the Rules of Procedure this year are on Page 3 of the Annual Report. Mr. Johnson pointed out the microphone set up in the middle of the floor between the chairs and explained that if anybody wanted to speak to an issue, they first needed to come forward to the microphone, get in line, if necessary, and then state their name before proceeding, to assist with the minutes. The Moderator then introduced the other election officials involved, starting with the table on the stage: Libby Priebe, Town Clerk, Susan Slack, Town Counsel, Les Babb, Scott Cunningham and Neal Boyle, Selectmen; Jim Brown, as an Election Worker, was seated to the side and would assist with the secret ballot(s), as Article 8, the bond article, would require a secret ballot. Pat McCoy and Maggie Buzzell were introduced as the Supervisors of the Checklist upstairs, admitting people into the room and providing voting cards. Mr. Johnson noted that the polls were open downstairs and that Bud Brooks and Carol Stansell, the other Supervisors of the Checklist, were downstairs, along with the following election workers: Chuck Brooks, Beth Earle, Alice Haslett, Rochelle Brooks and Sue Brown.

Mr. Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the reading of the Warrant into the record:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday the 8th day of March 2011 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and for adoption of Zoning Amendments. The polls open at 9:00am and close at 7:00pm unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00pm.

All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00am at the Freedom Town Hall.

PLEASE NOTE: for the purposes of these Minutes: (a) there were a total of 383 ballots cast for this election, with 1224 names on the checklist at the beginning of the day, 9 new voters registering during the day, totaling 1233 at day's end, for a 31% +/- voter turn-out; (b) the election results are included herein and (c) a write-in candidate must have received a minimum of five (5) votes to be included or have been declared the winner with less than five (5) votes:

ARTICLE 1: (To vote by Official Ballot):
To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

TOWN OFFICES:

Selectman, Three Years (vote for one):
Leslie R. Babb 316 Votes
Leslie R. Babb was declared the winner.

Tax Collector, Three Years (vote for one):
Annette M. Babb 332 Votes
Annette M. Babb was declared the winner.

Supervisor of the Checklist, One Year (vote for one):
Carol E. Stansell 338 Votes
Carol E. Stansell was declared the winner.

Trustee of the Trust Funds, Two Years (vote for one):
Doris H. Sirois 319 Votes
Doris H. Sirois was declared the winner.

Trustee of the Trust Funds, Three Years (vote for one):
Eric Bossidy 174 Votes
James G. Blake 164 Votes
Eric Bossidy was declared the winner.

Cemetery Trustee, Three Years (vote for one):
Dean Robertson 42 Votes (Write-in)
Dean Robertson was declared the winner.

Planning Board Members, Three Years (vote for two):
Ernest Day, Jr. 319 Votes
Beth Earle 33 Votes (Write-in)
Ernest Day, Jr. and Beth Earle were declared the winners.

Library Trustee, Three Years (vote for one):
Thomas E. Luke 318 Votes
Thomas E. Luke was declared the winner.

SCHOOL OFFICES:

School District Moderator, One Year (vote for one):

Donald G. Johnson 351 Votes
Donald G. Johnson was declared the winner.

School Board Member, Three Years (vote for one):

Jacob Stephan	19 Votes
Todd Desmarais	236 Votes
Ingrid DeWitt	106 Votes
Jim Farinella	6 Votes (Write-in)
Todd Desmarais was declared the winner.	

School District Auditor, One Year (vote for one):

Mike Gaudette 51 Votes (Write-in)
Mike Gaudette was declared the winner.

School District Clerk, One Year (vote for one):

Diane Park	16 Votes (Write-in)
Carol Stansell	8 Votes (Write-in)
Diane Park was declared the winner.	

ARTICLE 2: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to establish a Groundwater Protection Overlay District, applying to non-residential uses, the boundaries of which are depicted on the Groundwater Protection map; including performance standards, conditional uses and prohibited uses to protect groundwater from contamination?

(Approved by the Planning Board 6-0-0)

279 YES 89 NO Article 2 passes.

ARTICLE 3: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to permit in all residential zoning districts Elderly Housing developments of a minimum of six dwelling units on a minimum lot size of 10 acres, 30% of which acreage shall be dedicated to passive and/or active recreation, for family units where the head of household or spouse is 55 years of age or older?

(Approved by the Planning Board 6-0-0)

262 YES 100 NO Article 3 passes.

ARTICLE 4: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to permit Elderly Group Homes by Special Exception granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment in all residential zoning districts for communal living by unrelated persons 65 years of age or older, with a maximum of 8

individual bedrooms and one caretaker apartment in single-family type structures with common living and dining areas?

(Approved by the Planning Board 6-0-0)

255 YES 105 NO Article 4 passes.

ARTICLE 5: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Article 3, Section 309.1, G (Accessory Apartments) to permit a separate rental apartment unit, limited to one bedroom, within or attached to a single-family dwelling, requiring the property owner to reside in either the primary residence or the accessory apartment; such apartment to be limited to a maximum of 800 square feet, unless additional square footage is approved by Special Exception granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment?

(Approved by the Planning Board 5-1-0)

243 YES 119 NO Article 5 passes.

ARTICLE 6: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Article 8 (Recreational Camping) to permit camping on residential lots between Memorial Day and Columbus Day weekends for up to one consecutive 10-day period, and for longer than 10 days by permit issued by the zoning officer limiting the number of camping units to 2, only one of which may be a motor home or camping trailer; such camping to be prohibited from lot setbacks unless unavoidable due to lot size, topography or configuration; and to restrict residential camping by a property owner who rents out the lot's primary residence?

(Approved by the Planning Board 6-0-0)

205 YES 163 NO Article 6 passes.

ARTICLE 7: (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend Article 3, Section 304.6.3 (Special Exception Standards for Erosion Control) by adding a new Section 304.6.3.2 permitting the zoning officer, rather than the Zoning Board of Adjustment, to approve erosion control plans, upon specific conditions, when proposed construction does not exceed 600 square feet?

(Approved by the Planning Board 4-2-0)

259 YES 101 NO Article 7 passes.

ARTICLE 8: (Bond - to be acted on by separate ballot):

Prior to the reading of the Warrant Article, the Moderator explained that there had been changes in the numbers from the printed Warrant article and advised the meeting to listen carefully as the Article is being read.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$900,000.00** [Not \$1,200,000] for the construction of a new public safety building to be located on the current fire station site at Village Road; up to **\$770,000** [Not \$1,070,000] of such sum to be raised by

the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the terms of the Municipal Finance Act, RSA Chapter 33; the remaining \$130,000 to be withdrawn from the New Municipal Building and Land Capital Reserve Fund previously established; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. (2/3 ballot vote required)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Scott Cunningham

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article, noting that the discussion regarding the buildings had started in 2003, and a fund had been started towards the buildings. The plans brought before the town last year, 2010, provided for buildings that would serve the town for the next 25 years without further expansion, but it did not pass. This year, the Selectmen are now coming back to the town with a plan for the bare minimum requirements needed to eliminate potential liability in the existing fire department and police department quarters. Selectman Babb noted that the Selectmen have entered into an agreement with Todd Desmarais, who is a general contractor, to act as the construction manager, noting that Mr. Desmarais has reviewed the plans and gotten estimates. If the Town approves the Bond article, the plan is for the Selectmen to come back to the Town with a hearing to review the details, noting that the Selectmen hadn't wanted to spend an additional \$40,000 to \$60,000 to get the detailed plans to put it out to bid if the town wasn't in favor of the bond article. Mr. Babb noted that the Selectmen want to put things out to bid and then come back to the town with hard costs; that the hearing would not be binding, but that the Selectmen have agreed as a Board that they will agree to honor the meeting's wishes.

Jim Breslin noted that from the plans and drawings currently being shown, it did not appear that it was necessary to purchase the additional land from the abutter to accomplish this project; the Selectmen confirmed that was the case, but noted that purchasing the additional property would allow for further expansion in the future and would also allow for a re-arrangement of the lay-out of the proposed buildings, if it would prove to be more efficient and cost effective.

Discussion.

The Moderator opened the polls for voting at 9:30am for the written secret yes/no ballot, noting that the polls would remain open for at least one hour, and that once the initial line had voted, he would commence with the meeting but leave the polls open for the required one hour. (Election Official James Brown monitored the Ballot Box used for this purpose.)

[Note: for the purposes of these Minutes and for clarity - the Results for the Vote on Article 8 are being inserted at this point - as well as being included in actual order later herein:

The polls were closed at 10:30 a.m. on the voting for Article 8.

RESULTS: 144 total votes were cast; 96 required for the 2/3 majority required.

118 YES

26 NO

Article 8 carries.

There was no motion made to reconsider the vote on the bond issue.

ARTICLE 9:

The Moderator announced that he would handle Article 9 by reading the section totals into the minutes as follows:

General Government:

Total Town Office	\$ 245,456.00
Election and Registration	\$ 6,500.00
Legal Expense	\$ 40,500.00
Payroll Taxes	\$ 36,285.00
Total Planning and Zoning Boards	\$ 5,950.00
Total Public Buildings	\$ 42,650.00
Cemeteries	\$ 2,690.00
Insurance	\$ 39,135.00
Lakes Region Planning Commission	<u>\$ 1,880.00</u>

Total of General Government: \$ 421,046.00

Public Safety:

Total Police Department	\$ 336,537.00
Total Fire Department	\$ 152,338.00
Ambulance	\$ 37,960.00
Building Inspector	\$ 12,918.00
Zoning Officer	\$ 6,500.00
Forest Fire Protection	\$ 5,000.00
Emergency Management & Safety	\$ 500.00
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	\$ 5,819.00
Water Precinct	<u>\$ 600.00</u>

Total Public Safety: \$ 558,172.00

Highways and Streets	\$ 711,243.00
Sanitation	\$ 191,547.00
Health	\$ 15,200.00
Welfare	\$ 10,150.00
Culture and Recreation	\$ 77,740.00
Conservation	\$ 5,800.00
Debt Service	<u>\$ 22,200.00</u>
Total for Article 9:	\$ 2,013,098.00

MOTION: Scott Cunningham
SECOND: Justin ("Cubby") Brooks

Question from Jim Breslin regarding the insurance: what portion of the benefits package is paid for by the employees?

Selectman Babb spoke to the question: The town pays 100% for the employees, which was a vote of the people when the employees started getting their benefits in the early or late 90's; in 2007, the Selectmen came back to the town and asked for a cap of \$25,000 per employee for a family plan, and over that, the employee would pay for a percentage of the increase. New employees are paid for 100%, with the employees paying 15% for additional family members.

Discussion.

Jim Breslin questioned the substantial amount of overtime in the public safety line.

Police Chief Josh Shackford was given permission to respond, explaining the overtime was for the canine program, which is almost self-funded, but requires 8 hours of overtime per week, and that there are Federal mandates involved.

The Moderator then explained to the meeting that he was going to review the line items one by one instead of randomly - and then proceeded to read down the list asking for questions.

Jim Breslin questioned the amount used for fuel expenses, expressing concern that it was adequate under the increased fuel expenses we're experiencing, and asked if there was a contingency plan.

Selectman Babb responded to the question, stating there wasn't a contingency plan, then turned the question over to Road Agent Scott Brooks.

Mr. Brooks explained that he wasn't expecting a big spike in the diesel fuel and the budget would be okay, and he'd be able to save money in other areas, if needed.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 9: YES, ARTICLE 9 carries.

ARTICLE 10:

The Moderator noted that there had been a typographical error in the printed warrant article and asked the meeting to listen as he read the correct information into the minutes. The property referred to should be Map 3, Lot 29, and not Lot 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 to purchase approximately 0.8 acres being a part of Map 3 Lot 29 adjacent to the Fire Station property on Village Road.

MOTION: Scott Cunningham

SECONDED: Justin Brooks

Selectman Cunningham spoke to the Article.

Jim Breslin noted that as he'd discussed earlier, this additional land is not required for the footprint and asked that if it were needed in the future, could the additional land be used as an easement or could it be taken by eminent domain, asking if this was the appraised value or the offering price.

Selectman Babb confirmed that it was the offering price, not an appraised value, pointing out that the building was designed as a "Lego" building - meaning that if expansion is needed it can happen in any direction, and then the additional property would be needed.

Discussion.

Al Davidson made a MOTION TO MOVE the question.

The Moderator explained that a motion to move the question does not need a second but does require a 2/3 majority.

VOTE ON MOTION to move the question: YES, the motion to move the question carries.

VOTE on ARTICLE 10: YES, ARTICLE 10 carried.

ARTICLE 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,600.00, as additional compensation for the town clerk, based on a 32-hour work week, to include the cost of health and dental insurance and 3% retirement contribution.

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Jon Cyr

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article, stating that the Town Clerk needs more hours. This decision had been postponed waiting for a new building, but the Selectmen have been getting requests. The Town Clerk's proposal would make this a regular job, with 20-22 hours open to the public and the Selectmen thought it was an attractive offer.

Jim Breslin spoke in favor of the article.

John Shipman spoke against the article.

John Shipman stated that he'd like to amend the Article to make it for a single benefit position only, and the Moderator asked how?

John proposed adding the words: "at a single person rate" after the words "to include the cost of health and dental insurance"; seconded by Jim Breslin, (insertion spot in Article agreed to by both after-the-fact), so the Article would read:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,600.00, as additional compensation for the town clerk, based on a 32-hour work week, to include the cost of health and dental insurance, at a single person rate, and 3% retirement contribution.

Dave Korroch questioned if this wording could be considered discriminatory, as benefits cannot differ from employee to employee for others in the same class.

Discussion.

VOTE on Motion to Amend the Article: YES, motion to amend carries.

No further discussion on Article 11 as amended.

The Moderator noted that he had received a Petition to have Article 11 voted on by secret ballot - then proceeded to verify that at least five of those that signed the Petition were present in the room.

The Moderator then announced that before we proceeded to do the written ballot on Article 11, he would close the polls for the vote on Article 8, determine and announce the results, then we'd vote on Article 11.

The polls were closed at 10:30am on Article 8.

ARTICLE 8 RESULTS: 144 total votes were cast; 96 required for the 2/3 majority required.

118 YES

26 NO

Article 8 carries.]

The meeting then returned to Article 11 - Article 11, as amended, was re-read:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,600.00, as additional compensation for the town clerk, based on a 32-hour work week, to include the cost of health and dental insurance, at a single person rate, and 3% retirement contribution.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 11 as Amended: YES 95, NO 34 - total of 129 votes were cast. Article 11, as amended, carries.

ARTICLE 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to defray the annual working expenses of the Heritage Commission.

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

No discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 12: Yes, ARTICLE 12 carries.

ARTICLE 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,300.00 to rebuild the front portion of the Village Mill Pond Fire Station.

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article, noting that this was for the old Fire Station next to the bridge in the Village, and that it needs maintenance; noting that it is a leased property and that the Town has an obligation to maintain it. It has been used for 40-50 years, the property belongs to the water district and it is a 99-year lease.

Discussion.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 13: Yes, ARTICLE 13 carries.

ARTICLE 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$46,000.00 to repaint the exterior of Town Hall.

MOTION: Neal Boyle

SECONDED: Tom Luke

Selectman Boyle spoke to the Article, stating the Town Hall needs paint and needs to be maintained.

Discussion.

John Shipman made a motion to amend the article down to \$32,000.00; seconded by Jim Breslin.

Discussion on the amendment.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND: NO, the Motion to amend fails.

The meeting returned to discussion of the Article in its original amount and format.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 14 in its original format: YES, Article 14 carries.

ARTICLE 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,500.00 to appropriately replace clapboards and paint the front of town hall and install siding to the remaining three sides.

Motion to pass over Article 15 made by Les Babb; seconded by Scott Cunningham.

Vote on Motion to pass over: Yes, vote on motion to pass over Article 15 carries.

ARTICLE 16:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,448.00 for a fire alarm system for the town offices.

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Jim Breslin

Les Babb spoke to the Article. No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 16: YES, ARTICLE 16 carries.

ARTICLE 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00, for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

MOTION: Neal Boyle

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Neal Boyle spoke to the Article, stating the "raise and appropriate" is the required language, but that the money is already in an existing account and will be transferred for this purpose. Mr. Boyle then turned the floor over to RA Oram, who spoke on behalf of the Conservation Commission/ Forestry Advisory Commission. Mr. Oram explained that DRED requires that a licensed forester be used under the Stewardship Plan provisions and noted that funds for the next article come out of that money, too.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 17: YES, ARTICLE 17 carries.

ARTICLE 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00, for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

MOTION: Neal Boyle

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 18: YES, ARTICLE 18 carries.

ARTICLE 19:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for 10 sets of turnout gear for the Fire and Rescue Department.

MOTION: Neal Boyle

SECONDED: Scott Brooks

Fire Chief Gene Doe spoke to the Article.

The Moderator asked for an explanation of the term "turnout gear". Chief Doe explained that is the term used to describe the fire jacket and the bunker pants.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 19: YES, ARTICLE 19 carries.

ARTICLE 20:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,650.00 for the replacement of fire hose - 9 lengths of 4" and 2 lengths of 2-1/2".

MOTION: Neal Boyle.

SECONDED. RA Oram

Fire Chief Gene Doe spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 20: YES, ARTICLE 20 carries.

ARTICLE 21:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for the installation of a radio repeater on a cell tower to be located in Town, if one should be approved by the Town's land use boards, for the purpose of enhancing the Town's emergency communications.

MOTION: Neal Boyle

SECONDED: Betty Godfrey

Selectmen Neal Boyle and Les Babb spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 21: YES, ARTICLE 21 carries.

ARTICLE 22:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,180.00 for this year's contract with R.B. Wood & Associates, LLC to complete the necessary new construction assessing for the year and statistical update for all properties.

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Jim Breslin

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 22: YES, ARTICLE 22 carries.

ARTICLE 23:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,400.00 to seal coat on Town Roads.

MOTION: Scott Cunningham

SECOND: Jon Cyr

Road Agent Scott Brooks spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 23: YES, ARTICLE 23 carries.

ARTICLE 24:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,000.00 to repave on Town Roads.

MOTION: Scott Cunningham

SECONDED: Scott Brooks.

Road Agent Scott Brooks spoke to the question, explaining this money would be used for Nason Road and a portion of Pequawket Trail,

Jayne Britton asked why these three Articles - totaling \$110,000.00 +/- were separated out and not included in the budget.

Selectman Babb explained that it was a transparency option, to vote on it every year and it keeps the people informed of where the work is to be done.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 24: YES, ARTICLE 24 carries.

ARTICLE 25:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for road crack sealing on Town Roads.

MOTION: Scott Cunningham

SECONDED: Jim Breslin,

Road Agent Scott Brooks spoke to the article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 25: YES, ARTICLE 25 carries.

ARTICLE 26:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500.00 to complete the proper installation of the fire suppression cistern located at Kidder Drive.

MOTION: Scott Cunningham.

SECONDED: Scott Brooks

Selectman Cunningham spoke to the Article.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 26: YES, ARTICLE 26 carries.

ARTICLE 27:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 to be added to the Remediation of Invasive Weeds, Milfoil or Pollution Trust Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Mike Gaudette

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 27: YES, ARTICLE 27 carries.

ARTICLE 28:

To see if the Town will vote to create a Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with NH RSA 35:1 to be known as the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purposes of repairing, replacing and purchasing equipment for the Police Department from time to time and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to place into said Fund, and further, as authorized by RSA 35:15, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

Recommended by the Board Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Jim Breslin

Selectman Babb spoke to the article.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 28: YES, ARTICLE 28 carries.

ARTICLE 29:

To see if the Town will vote to create a Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with NH RSA 35:1 to be known as the Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund for the purposes of repairing said buildings from time to time and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to place into said Fund, and further, as authorized by RSA 35:15, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

Recommended by the Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Scott Cunningham.

SECONDED: Joyce Watson.

Selectman Cunningham spoke to the article.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 29: YES, ARTICLE 29 carries.

ARTICLE 30:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Les Babb

SECONDED: Rick Zecher

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 30: YES, ARTICLE 30 carries.

ARTICLE 31:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to the Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Neal Boyle

SECONDED: Mark McKinley

Selectman Babb spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 31: YES, ARTICLE 31 carries.

ARTICLE 32:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be added to the Library Expendable Trust Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Scott Cunningham

SECONDED: Peg Scully

Selectman Cunningham spoke to the Article.

No discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 32: YES, ARTICLE 32 carries.

ARTICLE 33: (By Petition)

The Freedom Historical Society and its members respectfully request the town to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to address urgently needed fire, public safety and handicap accessibility upgrades to the Allard House/Barn.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

MOTION: Mike Gaudette

SECONDED: Peg Scully

Mike Gaudette spoke to the Article and in favor of the Article, noting that a licensed electrician is needed and explained to the meeting that there had been 400 hours of volunteer work provided to the building last year.

Discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 33: YES, ARTICLE 33 carries.

ARTICLE 34:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize, indefinitely, until rescinded, the Board of Selectmen to transfer or sell property acquired by the Town in default of real estate taxes either by public auction or advertised sealed bid, or as justice may require, as provided in RSA 80:80.

MOTION: Scott Cunningham

SECONDED: Janet Meyers.

Selectmen Cunningham and Babb spoke to the Article, explaining that the town hadn't been given this authority in the past and it has now become clear that there is a need to have it, that the town doesn't want to be a landlord; that there had been several properties taken by tax deed and that the people want their properties back, and this article would give the Selectmen the authority to negotiate the terms.

No further discussion.

VOTE on ARTICLE 34: YES, ARTICLE 34 carries.

ARTICLE 35:

To review real estate acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's deed since the last annual Town Meeting to consider whether or not to sell any or all such properties and the appropriate terms and conditions regarding their sale.

MOTION to review: Les Babb

SECONDED: Fred Watson

VOTE to review real estate - ARTICLE 35: YES, Article 35 carries.

Selectman Babb stated that the properties are: Map 41, Lot 45-1, Skidoo Alley, Square Brook; Map 57, Lot 29-1, Little Knoll Circuit; Map 37, Lot 19, Sundance Drive - all three properties with homes; Map 4, Lot 32, by the Freedom Market - no home; and Map 41, Lot 55, which is a vacant lot in Square Brook.

No questions; no discussion.

ARTICLE 36:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Betty Godfrey explained to the Selectmen that they should not have allowed the change of name of the Freedom Club of Boston to the Freedom Club of New Hampshire, and noted she was very upset about it, stating that "the Freedom Club of Boston was started in the 1800's by people who used to go back and forth from Boston to Freedom, who banded together and bought the property known as the Freedom Beach and gave it to the Town to be used by all and she disagreed with the \$20.00 permit fee, as it was supposed to be free."

Betty also asked the Selectmen to look into offering a free swimming program in Freedom, at the Freedom Club Beach, as she had done in the past, working through the Red Cross.

Selectman Babb stated that the Town doesn't own the Freedom Club beach, it is private, owned by the Club, and that he couldn't respond about the name change, as apparently it didn't involve the town.

The Moderator suggested the Selectmen express Betty's concerns to the Club regarding the beach.

Jim Breslin made a MOTION that the Freedom Town offices be open on Fridays during regular hours; SECONDED by Joyce Watson.

Discussion.

VOTE on motion - by hand count: 17 Yes and 32 No - the motion fails.

The Moderator called for any other business:

Mike Gaudette said he'd like to thank the Board of Selectmen and all the Town departments who came this year with correctly done budgets, noting we didn't have to worry about whether they were audited or not, and he also thanked all the tax payers for coming.

Selectman Les Babb presented certificates to Pete Schiller for his 6 years on the Planning Board, and to Albert Godfrey, noting that the Town Report book was dedicated to Albert this year, for his many years of dedicated service to the town, serving in many different capacities.

John Shipman noted that Albert will be the Grand Marshall of the Freedom Old Home Week Parade this year.

The Moderator noted that a total of \$3,315,176.00 had been raised and appropriated at today's meeting.

The Moderator adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

A true record, attest:

A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE, TOWN CLERK

TOWN MEETING - MARCH 13, 2012

WARRANT

The polls will be open from 9:00am to 7:00pm

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday the 13th day of March 2012 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and for adoption of Zoning Amendments. The polls open at 9:00am and close at 7:00pm unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00pm.

All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00am at the Freedom Town Hall.

Article 1: (To vote by Official Ballot)

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: amend the floodplain ordinance as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program?

Approved by the Planning Board 5-1-0

Article 3: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board to Article 15 of the Town's Zoning Ordinance creating distinctions between a Minor Home Occupation and a Major Home Occupation to not require a minor home occupation to obtain a permit and to establish criteria for obtaining a Special Exception for a Major Home Occupation, and to add definitions of "Home Occupation" and "Total floor area" to Article 18 (Definitions) of the Zoning Ordinance?

Approved by the Planning Board 7-0-0

Article 4: (To vote by Official Ballot)

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board to clarify Section 304.6.5 of the Town's Zoning Ordinance concerning Cutting and Removal of Trees and Natural Vegetation within the Shore Front District including an amended statement of intent to protect Freedom's water bodies, to clarify the criteria used when cutting occurs within

75 feet of the shore and to clarify the criteria used when cutting occurs between 75 feet and 300 feet of the shore?

Approved by the Planning Board 7-0-0

Article 5:

To see if the municipality will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease agreement for \$265,000.00 for the purchase of a new tank truck for the Fire Department; furthermore, to raise and appropriate \$160,300.00 for the down payment and to fund the first year's payment; this amount to be offset by the withdrawal of \$130,000.00 from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund with the balance of \$30,300.00 to come from general taxation. This lease agreement does not contain an escape clause. (2/3 ballot vote required) If this article passes, Article 7 will be passed over.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the \$2,251,727 for General Government for (FY 2012) as follows:

	<u>FY 2011</u> <u>APPROP</u>	<u>FY2011</u> <u>EXP</u>	<u>FY 2012</u> <u>APPROP</u>
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Office:			
Wages, Fees, Benefits:			
Town Officers Salaries	23,150	23,100	26,150
Selectemen's Fees	1,000	49	250
Town Clerk Fees	12,200	12,605	12,700
Deputy Town Clerk	2,400	1,894	2,400
Tax Collector Fees/Costs	11,000	12,677	13,000
Salaries - Full Time	81,000	75,577	78,000
Salaries - Part Time	10,000	5,606	8,000
Retirement	2,575	2,299	3,500
Health/Dental Insurance	45,081	45,081	61,934
Life/Disability Insurance	2,350	1,634	1,800
Total Wages, Fees, Benefits	190,756	180,522	207,734
Town Office Expense	<u>54,700</u>	<u>46,540</u>	<u>64,650</u>
Total Town Office	245,456	227,062	272,384
Election and Registration	6,500	5,866	16,900
Legal Expense	40,500	17,701	35,500
Payroll Taxes	36,285	36,607	40,626

	<u>FY 2011</u> <u>APPROP</u>	<u>FY2011</u> <u>EXP</u>	<u>FY 2012</u> <u>APPROP</u>
Planning and Zoning Boards:			
Wages - Part Time	2,050	2,085	2,050
Expense	<u>3,900</u>	<u>3,295</u>	<u>3,900</u>
Total Planning and Zoning Boards	5,950	5,380	5,950
Public Buildings:			
Wages - Part Time	8,200	7,072	10,300
Expenses	<u>34,450</u>	<u>29,432</u>	<u>45,250</u>
Total Public Buildings	42,650	36,504	55,550
Cemeteries	2,690	1,655	3,725
Insurance	39,135	39,315	40,683
Lakes Region Planning Commission	<u>1,880</u>	<u>1,880</u>	<u>2,157</u>
Total General Government	421,046	371,790	473,475
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
Police Department:			
Wages, Benefits:			
Salaries - Full Time	169,600	172,817	176,076
Salaries - Part Time	21,000	24,618	24,000
Overtime/Holiday	12,056	12,688	19,059
Retirement	27,595	32,209	39,127
Health/Dental Insurance	70,700	71,106	80,642
Life/Disability Insurance	<u>3,036</u>	<u>1,425</u>	<u>1,700</u>
Total Wages and Benefits	303,987	314,863	340,604
Expenses	<u>32,550</u>	<u>27,586</u>	<u>36,050</u>
Total Police Department	336,537	342,449	376,654
Fire Department:			
Wages, Benefits			
Salaries - Full Time	48,942	52,016	50,367
Retirement	9,450	11,467	13,529
Health/Dental Insurance	9,561	9,561	10,815
Life/Disability Insurance	<u>1,210</u>	<u>752</u>	<u>900</u>
Total Wages and Benefits	69,163	73,796	75,611
Member's Reimbursable Expenses	20,000	20,000	20,000
Expense	<u>63,175</u>	<u>60,443</u>	<u>52,640</u>
Total Fire Department	152,338	154,239	148,251

	<u>FY 2011</u> <u>APPROP</u>	<u>FY2011</u> <u>EXP</u>	<u>FY 2012</u> <u>APPROP</u>
Ambulance Service	37,960	36,500	36,750
Building Inspector	12,918	11,292	12,945
Zoning Officer	6,500	6,316	6,500
Forest Fire Protection	5,000	4,050	3,000
Emergency Management & Safety	500	1,447	500
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	5,819	5,819	6,215
Water Precinct	<u>600</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>400</u>
Total Public Safety	558,172	562,512	591,215

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:

Highway Department:

Wages and Benefits:

Salaries - Full Time	157,800	144,282	169,638
Salaries - Part Time	15,000	39,421	19,000
Salaries - Overtime	51,200	37,185	57,711
Retirement	5,500	5,076	6,300
Health/Dental Insurance	97,130	96,034	118,096
Life/Disability Insurance	<u>3,555</u>	<u>2,043</u>	<u>2,300</u>
Total Wages and Benefits	330,185	324,041	373,045

Expenses:

Rental Equipment	112,000	128,617	113,400
Contract Services	22,000	24,606	22,000
Operating Expenses	<u>235,058</u>	<u>218,466</u>	<u>239,148</u>
Total Expenses	<u>369,058</u>	<u>371,689</u>	<u>374,548</u>
Total Highway Department	699,243	695,730	747,593

Street Lights	<u>12,000</u>	<u>11,359</u>	<u>12,000</u>
Total Highways and Streets	711,243	707,089	759,593

SANITATION:

Transfer Station:

Wages - Full Time	38,200	38,418	39,313
Wages - Part Time	10,000	12,484	8,000
Retirement	1,150	1,145	1,200
Health/Dental Insurance	26,024	26,024	29,524
Life/Disability Insurance	1,011	740	800
Total Wages and Benefits	76,385	78,811	78,837

Expenses:

Engineering	6,500	4,308	4,500
Transport Materials	95,000	87,186	90,000
Operating Expenses	<u>13,662</u>	<u>16,231</u>	<u>14,087</u>
Total Expenses	<u>115,162</u>	<u>107,725</u>	<u>108,587</u>
Total Sanitation	191,547	186,536	187,424

	<u>FY 2011</u> <u>APPROP</u>	<u>FY2011</u> <u>EXP</u>	<u>FY 2012</u> <u>APPROP</u>
HEALTH:			
Salary and Expenses	1,600	887	1,300
Agencies:			
Carroll County Mental Health	1,433	1,433	1,433
Children Unlimited	1,900	1,900	2,000
Community Action Program	4,000	4,000	4,000
White Mt Health Center	1,884	1,884	1,955
Starting Point	840	840	858
Red Cross	646	646	646
S.C.C. Visiting Nurse	2,247	2,247	2,247
Ossipee Children's Fund	<u>650</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>650</u>
Total Health	15,200	14,487	15,089
WELFARE:			
Salary	1,100	1,100	1,100
Town Needy	<u>9,050</u>	<u>2,274</u>	<u>7,500</u>
Total Welfare	10,150	3,374	8,600
CULTURE AND RECREATION:			
Parks and Recreation	8,675	5,489	7,750
Library	66,265	66,265	66,565
Memorial Day	800	491	600
Old Home Week	2,000	2,000	2,000
Heritage Commission			<u>500</u>
Total Culture and Recreation	77,740	74,245	77,415
CONSERVATION:			
Conservation Commission	2,800	1,374	2,800
Water Quality Testing	3,000	3,000	3,000
Milfoil Remediation			<u>6,500</u>
Total Conservation	5,800	4,374	12,300
DEBT SERVICE:			
Bond Principal	0		72,000
Bond Interest	0		24,416
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	22,000	28,130	30,000
Other Interest	<u>200</u>		<u>200</u>
Total Debt Service	22,200	28,130	126,616
TOTAL ARTICLE 6	2,013,098	1,952,537	2,251,727

Article 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established. This article will be null and void with the passage of Article 5.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,480.00 for this year's contract with R.B. Wood & Associates, LLC to complete the necessary new construction assessing for the year and all other assessing duties required for the year.

Article 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,200.00 to purchase and equip a new 4 wheel drive cruiser for the Police Department; to be paid for by withdrawal of \$10,000 from the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to use towards the purchase and to raise the balance by taxes.

Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000.00 for energy efficiency improvements to Town Hall, (which will include installation of additional insulation, window repair and retrofitting lights), based on the free energy audit done thru the Energy Technical Assistance and Planning for NH Communities program.

Article 11:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 for the installation of a well and septic system (including a bathroom to be installed in the existing garage) at the Transfer Station on Bennett Road.

Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for 10 sets of turnout gear for the Fire and Rescue Department.

Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,000.00 to repave on Town Roads.

Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for road crack sealing on Town Roads.

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to create a Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with NH RSA 35:1 to be known as the Highway Drainage Structures Improvement Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of replacing failing drainage infrastructure associated with Town roads and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to place into said Fund, and further, as authorized by RSAa 35:15, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 18:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 19:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be added to the Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 20:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be added to the Library Expendable Trust Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

Article 21: (By petition)

To see if the Town of Freedom will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 (Three thousand dollars) in support of Carroll County Transit's Senior and General Public Transportation.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Article 22:

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 7th day of February in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Twelve.

A true copy, attest

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Scott M. Cunningham

Neal E. Boyle

Leslie R. Babb

BUDGET

OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH

January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012

	Appropriations Prior Year	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year
PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION			
General Government			
Executive	23,150	23,100	26,150
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	6,500	5,866	16,900
Financial Administration	231,906	210,448	246,234
Revaluation of Property	36,180	36,180	27,480
Legal Expenses	40,500	17,701	35,500
Personnel Administration.....	36,285	36,607	40,626
Planning and Zoning	12,450	11,697	12,450
General Government Buildings	42,650	36,504	55,550
Cemeteries	2,690	1,655	3,725
Insurance	39,135	39,135	40,683
Regional Assoc.	1,880	1,880	2,157
Carroll County Transit			3,000
Heritage Commission	500	279	500
Public Safety			
Police	336,537	342,449	376,654
Ambulance	37,960	36,500	36,750
Fire	157,338	170,441	151,251
Building Inspection	12,918	11,292	12,945
Emergency Management	500	1,447	500
Hydrants, Dam Safety	6,419	6,219	6,615
Highway and Streets			
Highway and Street	809,643	806,130	827,593
Street Lighting	12,000	11,359	12,000
Sanitation			
Solid Waste Disposal	191,547	186,536	187,424
Health			
Health Officer	1,600	887	1,300
Health Agencies	13,600	13,600	13,789

	Appropriations Prior Year	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year
Welfare			
Administration	1,100	1,100	1,100
Vendor Payments & Other	9,050	2,274	7,500
Culture and Recreation			
Parks and Recreation	8,675	5,489	7,750
Library	66,265	66,265	66,565
Patriotic Purposes	800	491	600
Other Culture and Recreation	2,000	2,000	2,000
Historical Society	10,000	9,729	0
Conservation			
Administration	2,800	1,374	2,800
Other Conservation	20,500	20,500	21,500
Debt Services			
Princ-Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	0	72,000
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	0	24,416
Interest on TANs	22,000	28,130	30,000
Interest - other	200	0	200
Capital Outlay			
Land	35,000	0	
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	35,098	26,960	220,500
Buildings	69,300	34,645	21,000
Improvements Other Than Buildings	7,500	7,500	25,000
Public Safety Building	900,000	900,000	0
Operating Transfer Out			
To Capital Reserve Fund	60,000	60,000	65,000
To Trust Fund	11,000	11,000	2,500
TOTAL	\$3,315,176	\$3,220,369	\$2,708,207

Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing FY
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SOURCE OF REVENUE

Taxes

Land Use Changes Taxes	400	5,000	2,000
Timber Taxes	34,000	30,138	28,000
Other Taxes - Boat	5,500	5,975	6,000
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	45,000	53,855	50,000
Excavation Tax	0	134	0

Licenses, Permits and Fees

Business Licenses & Permits.....	10,500	7,403	7,500
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	255,000	256,909	220,000
Building Permits	17,000	17,367	15,000
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees	17,000	40,611	10,000

From State

Meal & Rooms Tax Distribution	60,000	66,519	60,000
Highway Block Grant	84,787	82,518	72,973
Other	0	0	0

From Other Governments8,600.....8,600.....8,600

Charges for Services

Income from Departments	700	789	500
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Miscellaneous Revenues

Sale of Municipal Property	0	99,895	0
Interest on Investments	2,000	1,631	1,600
Other	20,000	20,055	15,000

Interfund Operating Transfers In

From Capital Reserve Fund.....	130,000	130,000	140,000
From Conservation Funds	17,500	17,500	12,000

Other Financing Sources

Proc. From Long Term Bonds	770,000	770,000	0
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Total Estimated Revenue & Credits \$1,445,137 \$1,615,408 \$649,173

Appropriations Recommended\$2,708,207

Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue & Credits\$649,173

Amount of Taxes to be Raised\$2,059,034

DETAIL OF REVENUE

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2011

<u>Source</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Property Tax Levy	5,528,970	
Interest & Penalties Late Taxes	53,855	
Yield Tax	30,138	
Excavation Tax	134	
Land Use Change Tax	5,500	
Boat Tax	<u>5,975</u>	5,624,572
State Aid:		
Meals & Rooms Distribution	66,519	
Highway Block Grant	<u>82,518</u>	149,037
Town Clerk:		
State UCC	285	
Wetlands, PSNH Pole	150	
Dog Licenses	601	
Vehicle Registrations	256,909	
Other Fees	<u>350</u>	258,295
Transfer Station:		
Permits	24,980	
Tipping Fees	11,380	
Recycling Revenue	<u>4,505</u>	40,865
Building Inspector:		
Permits		17,367
Police Department:		
Reports	145	
Special Detail Fees	<u>570</u>	715
Selectmen:		
Copies-Printouts-Maps-Checklists		3,421
Donations		6,300
Fines & Forfeits		301
Planning Board Fees		816
ZBA Fees		2,121
Winter Road Maintenance Fees		2,140
Town of Eaton (Fire)		8,600
Cable TV Franchise Fee		7,402
Sale of Tax Deeded Property		99,895
Reimbursable Expenses Associated with Sale of Tax Deeded Property		3,065
Rents of Property		140
Interest Income		1,631
2008 NH Retirement Overpayment		195
Special Revenue Fund Transfer		17,500
Capital Reserve - Municipal Building		130,000
Bond Proceeds		<u>770,000</u>
TOTAL		\$7,144,378

TOWN OF FREEDOM SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FISCAL YEAR 2011

	BALANCE <u>01/01/11</u>	NEW <u>FUNDS</u>	EXPENDED	TRANSFER TO GENL FUND <u>REVENUE</u>	BALANCE <u>12/31/11</u>
<u>INTERFUND TRANSFERS IN:</u>					
Cemetery P/C Int.	3,931	166	45		4,052
New Municipal Bldg/Land	<u>-155</u>	<u>12,025</u>	<u>6,870</u>		<u>5,000</u>
Total Transfers In	3,776	12,191	6,915		9,052
<u>ESCROW - Legal</u>					
Legal	-3,702	4,617	2,449		-1,534
Cell Tower	<u> </u>	<u>3,250</u>	<u>3,243</u>		<u>7</u>
Total Escrow	-3,702	7,867	5,692		-1,527
<u>GIFTS AND DONATIONS:</u>					
General Government:					
Town Hall - Kitchen	-416	100	0		-316
Public Safety:					
Police Dept	1,451	580	2,322		-291
K9 Dog	0	265	265		
Fire Dept	800	600	0		1,400
Highways:					
Highway Dept	1,032	250	0		1,282
Culture and Recreation:					
Recreation	<u>1,490</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>1,790</u>
Total Gifts and Donations	4,357	2,095	2,587		3,865
POLICE - Outside Detail		1,710	1,710		0
<u>GRANTS:</u>					
Highway	16,959	0	16,959		0
- FEMA - Storm Damage					
Forest Fire Grant	<u>-6,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>	<u>21,600</u>		<u>-15,600</u>
Total Grants	10,959	12,000	38,559		-15,600

	BALANCE <u>01/01/11</u>	NEW <u>FUNDS</u>	TRANSFER TO GENL FUND		BALANCE
			<u>EXPENDED</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>12/31/11</u>
CONSERVATION:					
Conservation - Milfoil Gifts	11,663	3,400	1,118		13,945
Conservation - Gifts	195	0	0		195
Conservation - Land Use Tax	27,140	2,570	0		29,710
Stewardship - Gifts	2,099	500	0		2,599
Trout Pond Forest Stewardship	935	0	0		935
Town Forest Maintenance	51,461	3,672	0	17,500	37,633
Milfoil Grant		<u>2,835</u>	<u>2,835</u>		
Total Conservation	93,493	12,977	3,953	17,500	85,017
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	108,883	48,840	59,416	17,500	80,807
ACTIVITY BY FUNCTION:					
General Government	3,360	12,291	6,915		8,736
Escrow	-3,702	7,867	5,692		-1,527
Public Safety	-3,749	15,155	25,897		-14,491
Highways	17,791	250	16,959		1,282
Conservation	93,493	12,977	3,953	17,500	85,017
Culture and Recreation	<u>1,490</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,790</u>
	108,883	48,840	59,416	17,500	80,807

PROPERTY VALUATION INVENTORY SCHEDULE

		2011 Assessed	
Value of Land	Acres	Valuation	Totals
A. Current Use	11,313	1,116,359	
(at current use values)			
B. Conservation Restriction Assessment	144	16,965	
C. Residential	6,380	244,879,200	
D. Commercial/Industrial	414	4,983,800	
Total of Taxable Land			250,996,324
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Land (12,809,700)			
Value of Buildings Only			
A. Residential		208,444,336	
B. Manufactured Housing		17,929,900	
C. Commercial/Industrial		7,217,700	
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement (5 structures)		20,064	
Total of Taxable Buildings			233,612,000
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Buildings (9,101,500)			
Public Utilities - Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production, machinery, land, land rights, easements, etc.			
Electric		3,094,300	
Water Company		124,100	
Total Public Utilities			3,218,400
Valuation Before Exemptions.....			487,826,724
Elderly Exemptions RSA 72:39, a and b			
Total Number Granted 17			523,000
Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
Total Number Granted 1			20,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			543,000
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is Computed.....			487,283,724
Less Public Utilities.....			3,218,400
Net Valuation without utilities which Tax Rate for			
State Education Tax is Computed			484,065,324

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

Purpose of Appropriations

General Government

Town Officers Salaries.....	\$23,150
Election & Registrations	6,500
Town Officers Expenses	231,906
Revaluation of Property	36,180
Legal Expenses	40,500
Personnel Administration.....	36,285
Planning and Zoning	12,450
General Government Buildings	42,650
Cemeteries	2,690
Insurance	39,135
Lakes Region Planning	1,880
Heritage Commission	500

Public Safety

Police	336,537
Ambulance	37,960
Fire	157,338
Building Inspection	12,918
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	5,819
Water Precinct.....	600
Emergency Management	500

Highway, Streets and Bridges

Highway, Streets and Bridges	809,643
Street Lighting	12,000

Sanitation

Solid Waste Disposal	191,547
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Health

Administration	1,600
Health Agencies	13,600

Welfare

Administration	1,100
Vendor Payments	9,050

Culture and Recreation

Parks & Recreation	8,675
Library	66,265
Patriotic Purposes	800
Old Home Week.....	2,000

Conservations

Administration of Natural Recourses	2,800
Other Conservation	20,500

Debt Services

Interest on TAN	22,000
Other Interest	200

Capital Overlay

Land	35,000
Machinery, Vehicle and Equipment.....	35,098
Buildings	979,300
Improvements Other Than Buildings	7,500

Operating Transfers Out

Capital Reserve Funds

Highway.....	30,000
Town Hall and Office	5,000
Transfer Station	5,000
Police	20,000

Trust Funds

Library	2,500
Milfoil	8,500

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.....\$3,315,176

Certification

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town meeting, were taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Selectmen of Freedom
Scott Cunningham
Neal Boyle
Leslie Babb

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

2011 APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officer Salaries

Selectmen	\$12,000
Town Clerk.....	5,000
Tax Collector	3,000
Town Treasurer	3,000
Trustee of Trust Funds	100
Expended.....	\$23,100
Appropriated	23,150
Under run	\$50

Town Office Expenses

Selectmen Fees	\$49
Town Clerk Fees	12,605
Deputy Town Clerk	1,894
Tax Collector Fees & Costs	12,677
Reimbursable Expense.....	2,498
Town Administrator	48,103
Administrative Assistant	27,474
Part-time Salary	5,606
Health/Dental Insurance.....	45,081
Life/Disability Insurance	1,634
Retirement	2,299
Computer Support	8,368
Dues	2,288
Tax Map Updates	839
Meeting/Training.....	513
Office Supplies.....	7,693
Telephone/Internet	4,465
Printing, Postage, Notices	5,283
Professional Audit	13,000
Equipment Purchase	900
Bank Fees	20
Misc.....	673
Expended.....	\$203,962
Appropriated	222,306
Under run	\$18,344

Election & Registration

Workers	\$2,750
Printing/Advertising.....	2,860
Materials, Modifications and Supplies	256

	Expended.....	\$5,866
	Appropriated	6,500
	Under run	\$634
Revaluation of Property	Expended.....	\$36,180
	Appropriated	36,180
	Balance	\$0
Legal Expenses		
Town Office		\$553
Zoning Board		2,403
Guckert		120
Kondrat.....		14,625
	Expended.....	\$17,701
	Appropriated	40,500
	Under run	\$22,799
Payroll Taxes.....	Expended.....	\$36,607
	Appropriated	36,285
	Over run	\$322
Planning and Zoning		
Part-time Salary		2,085
Expenses.....		3,295
	Expended.....	\$5,380
	Appropriated	5,950
	Under run	\$570
Zoning Officer		
Part Time Salary.....		\$5,579
Expenses		737
	Expended.....	\$6,316
	Appropriated	6,500
	Under run	\$184
Town Building		
Part-time Salary		\$7,072
Operating Expenses		15,399
Office Maintenance/Repair		2,564
Town Hall Maintenance/Repair		11,469
	Expended.....	\$36,504
	Appropriated	42,650
	Under run	\$6,146

Cemetery	Expended	\$1,655
	Appropriated	2,690
	Under run	\$1,035

Insurance.....	Expended	\$39,135
	Appropriated	39,135
	Balance	\$0

Advertising & Regional Associates

Lakes Region Planning	Expended	\$1,880
	Appropriated	1,880
	Balance	\$0

Emergency Management Program	Expended	\$1,447
	Appropriated.....	500
	Over run	\$947

Police Department

Chief Salary	\$63,016
Full Time Salaries	109,801
Part Time Salaries	24,618
Overtime/Holiday.....	12,688
Retirement	32,209
Health & Dental Insurance	71,106
Life & Disability Insurance	1,425
Gasoline	13,195
Vehicle/Radio/Equipment Repairs	4,332
Office/Operating Supplies	1,400
Uniforms	1,527
Telephone/Cable.....	3,203
Equipment	1,217
K-9 Expenses	435
Training.....	507
Animal Control Expense.....	150
Computer Support	1,620
Expended	\$342,449
Appropriated	336,537
Over run	\$5,912

Fire Department

Chief Salary	\$52,016
Retirement	11,467
Health & Dental Insurance	9,561
Life & Disability Insurance	752
Member's Stipend.....	20,000

Training	1,155	
Mutual Aid Dues	4,500	
Utilities.....	11,815	
Equipment Purchases	6,867	
Vehicle Repairs	12,649	
Vehicle Gas	8,340	
Building Maintenance	1,548	
Turnout Gear	5,360	
Radio/Equipment Repairs	1,957	
First Responders.....	2,320	
Operating/Office Expense	1,365	
Annual Inspection	1,307	
Immunizations	1,261	
	Expended.....	\$154,240
	Appropriated	152,338
	Over Run	\$1,902
Forest Fire Protection	Expended.....	\$4,050
	Appropriated	5,000
	Under Run	\$950
Water Precinct	Expended	\$400
	Appropriated.....	600
	Under run	\$200
Building Inspector		
Part Time		\$10,415
Expenses		877
	Expended	\$11,292
	Appropriated	12,918
	Under run	\$1,626
Health Officer		
Part Time Salary		\$812
Expenses		75
	Expended	\$887
	Appropriated	1,600
	Under run	\$713
Health & Social Services		
Ambulance		\$36,500
C.C. Mental Health		1,433
Children Unlimited		1,900
Community Action Program		4,000
White Mountain Health Center		1,884

Visiting Nurse Service	2,247
Starting Point.....	840
Red Cross	646
Ossipee Child Fund.....	650
Expended.....	\$50,100
Appropriated	51,560
Under run	\$1,460

Welfare

Part Time Salary.....	\$1,100
General Assistance	2,274
Expended.....	\$3,374
Appropriated	10,150
Under run	\$6,776

Parks & Recreation	Expended.....\$5,489
	Appropriated
	Under run

Library	Expended.....\$66,265
	Appropriated
	Balance

Patriotic Purposes

Old Home Week.....	\$2,000
Other	491
Expended.....	\$2,491
Appropriated	2,800
Under run	\$309

Conservation Commission

Administration	Expended.....\$1,374
	Appropriated
	Under run

Water Quality Testing	Expended.....\$3,000
	Appropriated
	Balance

Forest Maintenance	Expended.....\$7,500
	Appropriated
	Balance

Forester	Expended.....\$10,000
	Appropriated
	Balance

Interest Expense

Tax Anticipated Notes	Expended.....	\$28,130
	Appropriated	22,200
	Over run	\$5,930

Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	Expended.....	\$5,819
	Appropriated	5,819
	Balance	\$0

Highway Maintenance

Summer

Labor	\$94,151
Rental Equipment.....	43,789
Materials.....	17,443
Road Striping	6,750
Contract Services	24,606
Gravel Crushing	19,000
Total Summer Maintenance	\$205,739

Winter

Labor	\$126,738
Rental Equipment.....	84,847
Materials.....	49,856
Total Winter Maintenance	\$261,441

General Highway Expense.....	\$125,397
Health & Dental Insurance	96,034
Life/Disability Insurance	2,043
Retirement	5,076
	Expended.....\$695,730
	Appropriate .....699,243
	Under run .....\$3,513

Street Lights	Expended.....	\$11,359
	Appropriated	12,000
	Under run	\$641

Transfer Station

Full-time Salary	\$38,418
Part-time Salaries	12,484
Health & Dental Insurance	26,024
Life/Disability Insurance	740
Retirement	1,145
Engineering	4,308
Transfer Fees	87,186
Household Hazardous Waste Fee.....	2,087

Utilities/Maintenance	6,271
Site Improvements	3,674
Operating Expense	4,199
Expend	\$186,536
Appropriated	191,547
Under run.....	\$5,011

Capital Reserve

Highway Equipment	\$30,000
Police Department Equipment.....	20,000
Transfer Station	5,000
Town Hall/Office	5,000
Expend	\$60,000
Appropriated	60,000
Balance	\$0

Trust Funds

Library	\$2,500
Milfoil Removal.....	8,500
Expend	\$11,000
Appropriated	11,000
Balance	\$0

Capital Outlay/Individual Articles

Highway - Crack and Seal.....	Expend	\$12,000
	Appropriated	12,000
	Balance	\$0
Highway - Topcoat	Expend	\$68,000
	Appropriated	68,000
	Balance	\$0
Highway - Sealing	Expend	\$30,400
	Appropriated	30,400
	Balance	\$0
Historical Society	Expend	\$9,729
	Appropriated	10,000
	Under run	\$271
Heritage Commission	Expend	\$279
	Appropriated.....	500
	Under run	\$221

Town Hall Exterior Painting	Expended	\$11,345
	Appropriated	46,000
	Under run	\$34,655
Fire Department Turnout Gear	Expended	\$8,863
	Appropriated	15,000
	Under Run	\$6,137
Fire Department Radio Repeater	Expended	\$5,660
	Appropriated	6,000
	Under run	\$340
Fire Department Hose	Expended	\$4,469
	Appropriated	4,650
	Under run	\$181
Village Fire Station Refurbish	Expended	\$35,452
	Appropriated	23,300
	Over run	\$12,152
Kidder Drive Cistern	Expended	\$7,500
	Appropriated	7,500
	Balance	\$0
Town Clerk Benefits	Expended	\$6,486
	Appropriated	9,600
	Under run	\$3,114
Town Office Fire Alarm System	Expended	\$7,969
	Appropriated	9,448
	Under run	\$1,479
Land Purchase Public Safety Bldg	Expended	\$35,000
	Appropriated	35,000
	Balance	\$0
Public Safety Building	Expended	\$900,000
	Appropriated	900,000
	Balance	\$0

TOTAL BUDGET UNDER RUN\$94,806

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Appropriations3,315,176
Less: Revenues1,554,837
Add: Overlay19,351
War Service Credits.....35,800

Net Town Appropriations1,815,490 **TAX**
RATE
Approved Tax/City Tax Effort.....1,815,490 **3.72**

SCHOOL PORTION

Gross Appropriations ..3,610,285
Less Revenue356,170
Net Local School Budget3,354,115
School Education Tax.....(1,194,725) **LOCAL**
SCHOOL
RATE
Approved School(s) Tax Effort2059,390 **4.23**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities)x2.325 **STATE**
513,860,0911,194,725 **SCHOOL**
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities) **RATE**
484,065,324 **2.47**
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted
To State Pay to State.....0

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County521,335
Less: Shared Revenues0 **COUNTY**
RATE
Approved County Tax Effort521,335 **1.07**

TOTAL RATE 11.49

Total Property Taxes Assessed5,590,940
Less: War Service Credit(38,500)
Total Property Tax Commitment.....5,555,140

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)....484,065,324.....	2.47	1,194,725
All Other Taxes .....487,283,724.....	9.02	4,396,215
		5,590,940

TOWN OWNED EQUIPMENT

In Excess of \$1,000

Highway

1963 York Rake
2000 Cat 924C Loader
1992 Morbark Chipper
2003 International All Wheel Drive
2011 Ford F550 XL One Ton
2006 Ford F550 One Ton (Hwy/Fire)
1991 MB Sweeper
1994 Billy Goat
2006 Hiway 12' stainless steel sander
2001 Hiway 3 yd stainless steel sander
2000 Hiway 5 yd stainless steel sander
1999 Hiway 5 yd stainless steel sander
1999 Shoulder Gravel Machine
1997 850 Galion Grader
2001 Pressure Washer
Miller Generator/Welder

Police Department

2009 Chevy Tahoe
2 2006 Ford Crown Victoria
3 Kustom Golden Eagle II Radar units
4 Laptop computers
3 Mobile Motorola Astro Digital Radio
4 Portable Motorola XTS 3000 Digital Radios
2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6

Fire Department

2004 Chevy Tahoe
2006 F550 Ford Forestry Truck
2000 F550 Ford Rescue Truck
1996 Spartan Fire Truck
1989 Mack Fire Truck
1985 Chevy Tank Truck
1926 Seagrave Fire Truck

2004 Portable Deck Gun
1996 Stinger Deck Gun
2006 (23) XTS 2500i Portable Radios
2004 (4) Motorola Astro Digital Radios
1996 100 Watt Kenwood Radio
1998 Jaws of Life Power Unit
1998 Hurst 60" Hydraulic Ram
1998 Hurst 30" Hydraulic Ram
1998 Hurst Combi Tool Spreader Cutter
1998 Hurst Cutter
2010 Hurst Tool Cutter
2004 Stabilization Kit
MSA 5500 Thermal Imaging Camera
10 MSA Airpacks
Honda Generator
2007 13,000 watt Honda Generator
10,000 Watt Diesel Generator
Multi Gas Meter
2 Darley Portable Pumps
2000 275 Gallon Forestry Skid Unit
2002 450 Gallon Forestry Skid Unit
2007 75 gallon Skid Unit with Pump/Reel
2006 Akron Hose Tester
2007 (2) Can Am 4x4 ATV
2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6
2007 315PSI Forestry Pump
2006 120GPM Forestry Pump
Phillips 12 Lead Cardiac Monitor
1998 Positive Pressure Fan
2008 Rescue Sled
3000 Watt Light Tower
Extractor

Transfer Station

3 Hydraulic Compactors, 7 Containers
12' Snowpusher
1995 Case 560L Backhoe

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY SCHEDULE

**Assessed Values
As of April 1, 2011**

Town Hall, Town Office, Land and Buildings	\$712,600
Furniture and Equipment.....	75,000
Roller Shed, Land and Building	31,400
Library, Land and Buildings	404,200
Furniture and Equipment.....	50,000
Police Department Equipment	100,000
Fire Department, Land and Buildings	328,800
Equipment.....	1,008,000
Highway Department, Land and Buildings	151,300
Equipment	365,000
Materials and Supplies	43,000
Transfer/Recycling Facility, Land and Buildings	109,900
Equipment	110,000
Parks, Commons, Playgrounds and Beaches	612,300
Schools, Land and Building	2,487,600
Furniture and Equipment.....	140,000
Conservation Commission	617,200
Trout Pond Town Forest	2,737,400
All Land Acquired Through Tax Collectors Deeds	633,100
All Other Property	
Fox Run Lot.....	96,600
Backland off Cushing Corner Road Abuts Morrow/Hayes - Owners Uncertain	34,700
	\$10,848,100

SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

Liability at Beginning of Year	1,897,373
Assessment for Current Year.....	3,254,115
 Total Liability with in Current Year	 5,151,488
 Payments made to School District	 3,522,373
Liability at End of Year.....	1,629,115
 Total.....	 5,151,488

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

New Issues During Current Year.....	1,846,585
Issues Retired During	1,846,585

DEBT - AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Purpose	Public Safety Building
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2012 Installment	\$72,000
Interest Rate	2.0%
Date of Final Payment	08/15/21
Bonds o/s at beginning of year	737,000
Bonds issued this year	1
Bonds Retired this year	0
Bonds o/s at end of year	665,000

Annual requirements to amortize all general obligation
(debt as of 12/31/11)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2013	75,000	3%	21,450	96,450
2014	75,000	4%	19,200	94,200
2015	75,000	2%	16,200	91,200
2016	75,000	4%	14,700	89,700
2017	75,000	3%	11,700	86,700
2018	75,000	4%	9,450	84,450
2019	75,000	3%	6,450	81,450
2020	70,000	3%	4,200	74,200
2021	70,000	3%	2,100	72,100
Total	\$665,000		\$105,450	\$770,450

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
(January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011)

Report of Revenue Received

2483	Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$256,908.83
159	Dog Licenses	886.00
61	Vital Copies	780.00
11	Marriage Licenses	525.00
	Dump/Launch Permits	550.00
	Dog Fines/Penalties	211.00
	Wetlands Applications	50.00
	Postage	41.00
	Pole Line Easements	100.00
	UCC filings	285.00
	Photo Copies	25.00
	TOTAL:	\$260,361.83

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2011

DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:			
	2011	2010	2009
Property Taxes.....	497,250.79	.....	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	5,000.00	.....	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	144.08	.....	0.00
Prior Years' Credit Balance.....	(23.42)		
This Year's New Credits	(8,093.07)		
Tax Committed This Year:			
Property Taxes	5,555,187.00	.....	6,866.00
Land Use Changes	5,500.00	.....	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	18,501.55	.....	11,638.84
Excavation Tax.....	0.00	.....	138.84
Overpayment:			
Credits Refunded.....	8,093.07	.....	293.00
Interest - Late Tax	8.53	.....	14,109.42
			.....0.00
TOTAL DEBTS	\$5,579,173.66	\$535,436.33	\$0.00

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:

Property Taxes	5,047,046.22	.....	345,792.34	.....	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	5,000.00	.....	982.00	.....	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	15,483.42	.....	11,091.02	.....	0.00
Interest & Penalties	8.53	.....	14,109.42	.....	0.00
Converted to Liens (principal only).....	0.00	.....	161,050.45	.....	0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned....	(23.43)				

Abatements Made:

Property Taxes.....	1,418.00	.....	1,585.00
Land Use Change Taxes.....	0.00		
Timber Yield Taxes	558.79	.....	146.08

Uncollected Revenue End of Year:

Property Taxes.....	506,722.78	.....	0.00	.....	0.00
Land Use Change Tax	0.00	.....	0.00	.....	0.00
Timber Tax Yield.....	2,459.34	.....	545.82	.....	0.00
Excavation Tax	0.00	.....	134.20	.....	0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance	0.00	.....	0.00	.....	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$5,579,173.66	\$535,436.33			\$0.00

DEBITS

Unredeemed & Executed Liens:	2010	2009	2008+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY	0.00	110,089.41	54,945.20
Liens Executed During FY	168,310.83	0.00	0.00
Interest & Costs Collected	3,996.01	10,831.37	22,325.88
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$172,306.84	\$120,920.78	\$77,271.08

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer			
Redemptions	54,858.13	35,497.15	43,900.28
Interest & Costs Collected	3,996.01	10,831.37	22,325.88
Abatement of Unredeemed Liens	140.21	382.72	5.16
Liens Deeded to Municipality	3,248.43	3,138.82	2,969.12
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	110,064.06	71,070.72	8,070.64
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	\$172,306.84	\$120,920.78	\$77,271.08

Respectfully Submitted,
Annette Babb
Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/ TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2011

Levies of:

DEBITS	2010	2009	2008+
Unredeemed Liens			
Beginning of Fiscal Year	0	\$110,089.41	\$54,945.20
Liens Executed During FY	\$168,310.83		
Interest and Costs Collected	3,996.01	10,831.37	22,325.88
TOTAL LIEN DEBTS	\$172,306.84	\$120,920.78	\$77,271.08

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer:

Redemptions	\$54,858.13	\$35,497.15	\$43,900.28
Interest & Costs Collected	3,996.01	10,831.37	22,325.88
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	140.21	382.72	5.16
Liens Deeded to Municipality	3,248.43	3,138.82	2,969.12
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	<u>110,064.06</u>	<u>71,070.72</u>	<u>8,070.64</u>
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	\$172,306.84	\$120,920.78	\$77,271.08

PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS

Fiscal Year Ending 2007

Kerin\$290.00

Fiscal Year Ending 2008

Kaminski\$480.00

Fiscal Year Ending 2009

Kaminski\$387.00

Vynorius551.00

Fiscal Year Ending 2010

Baltz\$138.00

Bradley175.00

Carroll131.00

Cristoferi1,069.00

Donovan240.00

Dube764.00

Duggan246.00

Dutra240.00

Finch72.00

Gandia208.00

Goodreau240.00

Harasim240.00

Lies240.00

Marchand944.00

Martin1,292.00

Martins273.00

Massiglia240.00

McEleney97.00

PAC, Inc.558.00

Panepinto444.00

Sands Bros.	912.00
Sweeney-Colanto, LLC	1,131.00
Sherwood Forest, LLC	6,041.00
Tinkham	93.22
Vynorius	572.00
Webber	5.16

Fiscal Year Ending 2011

Cunningham.....	\$1,124.00
Kennedy	294.00
McEleney	287.00
Tabor	43.00

TIMBER TAX ABATMENTS

Fiscal Year Ending 2010

RMS Logging	\$144.00
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Fiscal Year Ending 2011

Dorian	\$559.00
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TREASURER'S REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2011

REVENUE BY DEPARTMENT:

Tax Collector	\$5,612,248
Town Clerk	260,362
Selectmen.....	546,698
Building Inspector	17,367
Boat Tax.....	5,975
Interest Income	1,634
Bond Proceeds	770,000

INTEREST EXPENSE:

Tax Anticipation Notes	\$28,130
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TOTAL CASH ON HAND 12-31-11 **\$2,383,443**

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Clemons-Keith
Town Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 2011, was not available at the time of printing, and therefore is not included in this Annual Report.

The auditors, Plodzik and Sanderson of Concord, NH will file the Financial Report and an Audit report when their work is complete. A copy of this Audit report will be available at the Town Office upon completion.

TOWN EMPLOYEES

Police	Ted Colby	\$1,161
	Joseph Duchesne	2,880
	JoAnne Gayer	3,000
	James Hayford	1,296
	James Mullen	52,845
	Domenic Richardi	8,865
	Josh Shackford	63,016
	Teresa Shackford	7,820
	Matt Tyler	31,421
Highway	Devin Bolduc	3,256
	Lance Bolduc	22,643
	Scott Brooks, Sr.	55,512
	Scott Brooks, Jr	294
	Michael D'Andrea	5,565
	Robert Libby, Jr	7,142
	James MacDonald	40,232
	Charles Morrill	41,761
	Robert Smith	31,699
	Nathan Smith	5,709
Transfer Station	Justin Brooks	38,168
	Philip Brooks	85
	George Stone	12,149
Building Inspector	Robert Babine	10,415
Zoning Officer	Edward Hatfield	5,579
Office	Holly Brooks	3,960
	Linda Farinella	26,874
	Amanda Feuerborn	1,116
	Karen Hatch	48,103
Facilities Custodian	Mark McKinley	7,291
Planning/ZBA/Conservation	Linda Farinella	1,653
	Dianne Park	892
Fire Department	Gene Doe	51,766
Health Officer	Pamela Fortin	812
Welfare Officer	Tracy Hayes	1,100
Cemetery	George Boewe, Jr.	1,600

STIPENDS

Fire/Rescue	Scott Adams	\$1,744.97
	Tyler Belanger	100.00
	George Boewe	300.51
	Joe Brabant	1,745.31
	Justin Brooks	1,116.18
	Heather Cunio	357.41
	Rob Cunio	3,390.34
	Mike Eldridge, Jr.....	1,617.03
	Caitlin Gillenwater	1,044.63
	JP McVitty	157.41
	Charlie Morrill	85.86
	Josh Sandahl	2,245.82
	Scott Schwartz.....	1,545.14
	Eric Seamans.....	1,516.86
	Tom Tozier	2,875.12
	Matt Welch	157.41

TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN OFFICERS	SALARY	FEES	EXPENSES	TOTAL
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Selectmen

Neal Boyle.....	4,000			4,000
Scott Cunningham.....	4,000		336	4,336
Leslie Babb	4,000	500	120	4,620

Town Clerk

A. Elizabeth Priebe	5,000	12,605	425	18,030
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Deputy Town Clerk

Sue Brown.....	1,894		44	1,938
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Treasurer

Pamela Clemens-Keith	3,000		1,353	4,353
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Tax Collector

Anne Babb.....	3,000	4,437	8,256	15,693
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Supervisors of Checklist

Daniel Brooks.....	345			345
Patricia McCoy.....	455			455
Carol Stansell	490			490

Moderator

Donald Johnson	135			135
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Trustee of Trust Funds

Patricia McCoy				50
Eric Bossidy				50

VENDORS

MAJOR SERVICE SUPPLIERS

Admiral Fire & Safety, Inc. (FD)	2,880
Achilles, Steven (FD)	1,000
Allstate Asphalt (HD)	53,808
Allstate Fire Equipment (FD)	620
Amerigas (GG)	460
Anderson Equipment Co (HD)	925
Assertive K-9 (PD)	623
Aquatic Control Technology Inc. (GG)	8,025
Avitar Associates of NE, Inc. (GG)	5,668
AW Direct (HD)	770
W.C. Barrows & Assoc (GG)	1,800
BB Chain (HD)	2,078
Beauregard Equipment Inc. (HD)	874
Bernard, Mark (GG)	2,617
BII Fence & Guardrail Repair (TS)	486
Brocktalk Education (FD)	1,000
Chuck Brooks Light Carpentry (GG)	1,717
GW Brooks & Sons, Inc. (HD)	61,800
Brooks Sr., Scott (HD)	75,228
Business Management Systems, Inc. (GG)	2,282
Bye, Donald (GG)	436
Cabral, Cliff (CC)	3,850
California Contractors Supplies, Inc.(HD)	768
Calumet (FD)	600
CB Kentworth, Inc. (HD)	4,036
Central Paper Products (GG)	486
Cheney, Leigh (FD)	1,000
CMA Engineers (HD)	24,762
Coleman Concrete (HD)	1,129
Coleman Rental & Supply, Inc. (HD)	2,234
AJ Coleman & Son, Inc. (HD)	938
Conway Truck & Service, LLC (HD/FD)	2,632
Crowell's Towing and Repair, Inc. (HD/FD)	688
Daily Sun (GG)	1,890
Bob Davis Equipment Repairs (TS)	431
Del's Up & Down Doors (FD)	2,764
Deluxe for Business (GG)	639
R. Desmarais & Associates, LLC (GG)	646,101
Devine, Millimet & Branch (GG)	5,513
Diamond Ledge Electrtronics (HD/FD)	7,371
Diesel Works, LLC (HD)	681

Dig 'n' Doze, LLC (GG)	800
DiPrizio GMC Trucks, Inc. (HD)	10,502
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC (GG)	3,296
Ellis, Paul (HD)	1,610
Elliot Enterprises, Inc. (FD)	654
Emergency Medical Products, Inc. (FD)	1,984
English Arboriculture (HD)	5,000
Howard P. Fairfield, Inc. (HD)	3,565
Fairpoint Communications (GG)	6,963
Firematic Supply Co., Inc. (FD)	9,381
Flag Shop of VT (GG)	491
Freedom Automotive (PD)	2,778
Frechette Tire, Co. (HD,TS)	1,014
Freedom Hardware (GG)	6,449
Freedom Market (PD/HD)	1,145
F.R. Carroll, Inc. (HD)	76,752
F.X. Lyons, Inc (GG)	432
Gaftek, LLC (HD)	703
Galls (PD)	684
Gaudette, Michael (GG)	2,770
Granite State Minerals, Inc. (HD)	25,654
Gemini Sign & Design LTD (FD/HD)	845
Gray & Thompson Concrete Forms, LLC (FD)	6,565
Green Mountain Conservation Group (CC)	3,000
Harleysville Life Insurance Co. (GG)	6,594
Hastings Law Office (GG)	6,730
HEBergeron (GG)	21,282
Henderson, Walter (GG)	1,803
Hubbard Consulting, LLC (FD)	14,000
Huggins Hospital (FD)	1,261
Indian Mound Hardware (HD,FD)	1,709
Information Management Corp. (PD)	1,620
International Salt (HD)	14,034
Interstate Arms Corp. (PD)	2,126
Isaacson Steel, Inc. (HD)	1,207
J.O. Cook & Sons, LLC (HD)	6,527
Chip Johnson Electrician (GG)	5,682
JP Pest Services (HD)	500
Katahdin Analytical Services (TS)	983
BH Keith Associates (CC)	7,475
Kezar Falls Auto & Truck Parts (FD,HD)	821
Kondrat Construction, Inc. (GG)	7,213
Kruse, Scott (GG)	11,100
L & D Safety Marking Corp (HD)	6,460
L & S Concrete Cutting Services, LLC (HD)	500

Lakes Region Fire Apparatus, Inc. (FD)5,113

Lakes Region Planning Commission (GG)4,123

Lampron Energy (GG).....104,718

Michael Lavoie (GG).....2,939

Law Office of Paul M. Monziona, PC (GG)5,455

Lawson Products (HD)2,567

Leavitt & Boucher Equipment (TS)870

Maple Ridge Septic Service (GG).....4,996

K. Mason Electrical LLC (GG)2,813

SA McLean & Sons (HD)2,090

Michie Corp (HD).....768

Milton Cat (HD).....23,975

Mortenson, Heather (FD)1,000

Mullen, James dba Taylor Lawn & Landscape (GG)3,048

National Fire Fighter Wildland (FD)1,598

New England Barricade Co. (HD)1,285

New England Lift Co. (GG)665

New England Milfoil (GG)3,850

New England Truck Tire Centers Inc (HD).....3,456

Nicom Coatings Corp (HD)12,000

Nix, Stephan (GG)5,556

Northeast Resource Recovery Assoc (TS)939

North Conway Ambulance Service (GG)33,458

North Country Tractor, Inc. (TS)670

Northern Tool and Equipment (HD)1,091

Office Depot (GG).....1,243

Ossipee Aggregates (HD).....11,340

Ossipee Auto Parts (HD)3,596

Ossipee Mountain Electronics (FD,HD).....2,639

Owen Leasing Co (HD)3,750

Paquette Welding (GG)1,856

Pine Tree Engineering, Inc.(TS)3,325

Pine Tree Waste (TS).....87,251

Plodzik & Sanderson (GG)7,407

Pope Security (GG)7,969

Porter Office Machines, Corp (GG)946

Postmaster Freedom (GG)2,887

Primex (GG).....41,551

PSNH (GG)23,507

R & D Paving (HD).....74,525

Rhomar Industries, Inc. (HD)725

John E. Roberts Excavation (HD)10,685

Rochester Radiator & A/C, LLC (HD)2,330

Rymes Heating Oils, Inc. (GG).....807

Safety Outfitters, LLC (FD)790

Sanels Autoparts Co (HD)	1,458
Schaeffer Manufacturing Company (HD)	3,260
Signet Electronic System, Inc.(GG)	1,201
Silver Lake Home Center (FD/HD)	785
Skehan Home Center (HD)	2,140
SMP Architecture (GG)	6,555
Sullivan Tire (HD)	433
Susan Slack Esquire (GG)	3,615
E.W. Sleeper (HD)	4,151
Staples (GG)	6,681
Superior Insulation (FD)	3,305
Syntex Industries (FD)	454
Team EJP (HD)	8,278
Time Warner Cable (GG)	1,211
TRH Equipment Repair, LLC (HD)	1,245
Unifirst Corp (HD)	5,487
Verizon Wireless (FD/PD)	3,331
White Mountain Survey Co. Inc. (GG)	3,755
White Mountain Precast LLC (HD)	14,650
Williams Bros Division (HD)	569
Windy Ridge Corp (HD)	505
Witmer Public Safety Group (FD)	439
RB Wood & Associates, LLC (GG)	32,180
WSB Technologies (GG)	429

CC - Conservation Commission	HD - Highway Department
GG - General Government	FD - Fire Department
PD - Police Department	TS - Transfer Station

FREEDOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

In 2011 we had 13,663 visits from library patrons who checked out 15,507 items - a slight decrease in patronage but increase in circulation from 2010. Areas of greatest growth include a 9% increase in DVD circulation and a 16% increase in juvenile fiction. Monthly visits off-season range from 700-1000 but during the months of July and August, library visits surge to around 2000 monthly.

Patrons can come to the library to borrow books, DVDs, audiobooks, magazines and puzzles. More and more patrons are also taking advantage of the library's participation in the NH Downloadable Books program. Users can download and borrow e-books (now compatible with Amazon's Kindle) and audiobooks. We also provide access to a number of research databases provided by the NH State Library and two which the library has purchased itself: Ancestry Library Edition (in memory of J. William Fritz) and Career Cruising database, helpful for job searchers, those contemplating new careers, and students researching colleges. Patrons were able to borrow passes giving free or reduced admission to five area museums and attractions. Our public access computers and free wi-fi draw many to the library.

The library offered several programs this year, most made possible by volunteer and financial help from the Friends of the Library. We had three well-attended lectures for adults and a holiday program held in cooperation with the Freedom Community Club. We also hosted three professional children's programs during the summer and an embroidery class and beading workshop for children during the school year. The Freedom Flicks Film Series shown on eight Sunday afternoons was another popular addition to the library's offerings.

Ongoing programs include monthly pizza & movie nights, weekly preschool storytimes, monthly adult book club meetings, year 'round children's book club, and a weekly knitting group. We also regularly provide space for community group meetings.

This year's summer reading program was another big success. We had 130 kids, teens and adults actively participate in the summer reading program for their age group. Summer programs were well attended and included the following weekly programs: preschool storytime, kids' writing workshop, Teen Night, Fun Friday (activities for elementary-aged kids) and Pizza & Movie night. The clown workshop attracted record participation and the clowns performed again in the Old Home Week parade. Many thanks to the numerous volunteers who helped with these programs and to the Friends of the Library which provided the funding for prizes, programs and supplies.

During the 2011-2012 school year, the library has been pleased to have monthly visits from Kindergarten, 2nd and 3rd grade classes. During their visits, the librarian reads to them and the students get to choose a book to borrow.

We now have a marvelous new theatre system in our downstairs meeting space thanks to a bequest from Henry and Jackie Kucera. Improvements include a top-of-the-line projector, a Blu-ray player, surround sound, and wall jacks for easy connection of presenters' laptops to the projector. Also in 2011, the library's interior was painted.

We thank Library Director, Elizabeth Rhymer, and Assistant Librarian, Judy Johnson, for their fine work, providing creative programs and excellent service to our patrons.

We encourage all Freedom residents to get a library card and take advantage of all the free resources available at our beautiful and welcoming library!

Respectfully submitted,
Peg Scully, Chair
MaryAnn Hogan, Secretary
Tom Luke, Treasurer
Laura Robinson, Alternate

Assets 01/01/2011

Checking	\$15,857.80
Money Market	7,763.36
Centennial Fund	25.00
Endowment Fund.....	19,272.95
Scully Fund	1,681.41
Cayford Fund.....	6,698.00
Williams Fund	19,294.61
Total Assets 01/01/2011	\$70,593.13

Receipts 2011

Book Sales	\$864.27
CD Interest	247.39
Conscience Fund.....	300.00
Endowment Fund.....	5,000.00
Fax & Copier	290.50
Friends Donation	5,270.00
Interest Inc	5.44
Unanticipated Gifts.....	40.00
Town Appropriation.....	66,265.00
Total Receipts 2011	\$78,282.60

Total Assets + Receipts 2011\$148,875.73

Expenditures 2011

Books	\$9,188.02
Computer	2,647.84
Dues & Conferences.....	583.31
Electricity.....	2,901.17
Grounds	1,008.50
Heat	1,835.50
Maintenance.....	5,793.60
Other Expense.....	756.82
Periodicals.....	282.34
Postage	207.54
Programs	1,593.87
Supplies	1,526.00
Tax	5,509.54
Telephone	682.27
Unanticipated Gift Expenditures	5,000.00
Wages.....	39,666.06
Water.....	525.00

Total Expenditures 2011\$79,707.38

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

I would like to start my report off by sending my appreciation and thanks to the residents of Freedom for the new Public Safety Building Addition. As a member of the Freedom Fire Department for the past 32 years I have seen the department grow from the one bay station in the village, to our addition which now has two drive through bays. This new addition gives the department members not only more room to complete their daily functions, but it cuts down on some safety issues that we were having before. I don't know if the resident realized that at times when cleaning backboards, short boards, Stokes litter etc. we needed to go outside to clean these items to keep from contaminating the station. With the new Decon Room we will be able to clean all equipment as needed and keep all contaminants in one location. With our new Radio Room and Emergency Operations Center we will be able to function more appropriately during emergency events in the town.

I would like to say thank you to the members of the Fire Department who continue to respond to the Town resident's requests during their emergency or non-emergency needs, the Police and Highway Departments for their continuous support, the Board of Selectmen and the ladies in the Town Office for their continuous support throughout the year.

Equipment Purchases through fund raisers:

Light Tower 3000 watt	\$6,000.00
Extractor	\$4,000.00

A donation of \$500.00 was given to the Fire Department to purchase a coffee table in the New Public Safety Building. Thank You

A donation of \$1,245.00 was given to the Fire Department to purchase a new AED for the Public Safety Building. Thank you

Just recently the Fire Department received \$4,000.00 from our Ladies Auxiliary to purchase an extractor for the station. This unit is a modified washing machine that extracts blood and other deadly contaminants from our Turnout Gear. The Ladies Auxiliary raised this money through fund raising events most recently the Craft Fair at the Elementary School which had 60+ vendors. I would like to say thank you to the members of the Ladies Auxiliary for a job well done.

Fire Department Access: 20 feet of clean travel width, 13 feet 6 inches of vertical clearance and road surface to hold weight of apparatus.

Check batteries in Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Detectors when you change your clocks with daylight savings time.

Remember to have your furnace serviced and inspected annually.

Chimneys must be checked for cleanliness frequently to make sure there is no build up of creosote. The use of dry or green wood will determine the time frame in which creosote will start to collect in your chimney.

Solid fuel burning appliances shall not be installed in the same flue of another appliance unless manufacturer's recommendations allow to do so.

Again, I would like to say thank you to the residents of Freedom and that my door is always open to the residents that may have questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eugene F. Doe Jr.
Fire Chief

FIRE - RESCUE CALLS

Medic Intercept	5
Building Fires	15
False Alarm/Good Intent	0
Vehicle Fire	1
Brush Fire	7
EMS BLS Response	14
EMS ALS Response	142
MVA without extrication	18
Hazardous Material	3
Service Call	2
Other Calls/Incidents	70
Other Rescue	5
No Response	11
MVA with extrication	1
Total	294

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wild land fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you , please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L: 17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214 , or online at www.nhdf.org.

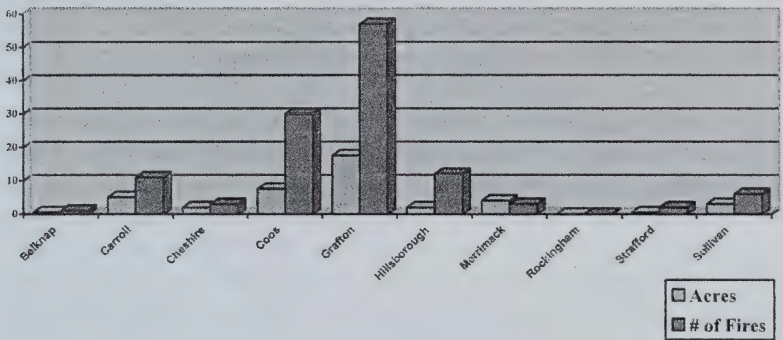
Both in terms of the number of fires, as well as the number of acres burned, this past fire season was the smallest since records have been kept. Extensive rainfall virtually all season long kept the fire danger down . When fires did start they were kept very small . The largest fire for the season was only 5.4 acres which occurred in Littleton on May 2nd 2011. There was however a small window of high fire danger in the northern third of the state during July when little rainfall was recorded. During this time there were a number of lightning started fires which are fairly unusual in New Hampshire . As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by contracted aircraft and the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where home s and flammable wildland fuels intermix . Several of the fires during the 2011 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees . Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org, Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2011 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2011)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	.5	1
Carroll	5	11
Cheshire	2	3
Coos	7.5	30
Grafton	17.5	57
Hillsborough	2	12
Merrimack	4	3
Rockingham	0	0
Strafford	5	2
Sullivan	3	6



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	7
Debris	63
Campfire	10
Children	2
Smoking	9
Railroad	1
Equipment	1
Lightning	3
Misc.*	29 (*Misc. : power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

Total	Fires	Total Acres
2011	125	42
2010	360	145
2009	334	173
2008	455	175
2007	437	212

POLICE REPORT

There have been no major changes to the Police Department staff since last year, with the exception of one addition to our part-time staff. Domenic Richardi who retired last year from the Carroll County Sheriff's Department after over twenty years in law enforcement was hired last July. He has turned out to be a very valuable asset to me and the Department.

My staff and I could not be happier with the new Police Department. It has everything that we could possibly need and will serve the Freedom Police Department more than adequately for many years to come. I could not possibly name and thank all of the people that made this happen, but you know who you are and a sincere, heartfelt thank you goes out to each and every one of you.

2011 was an extremely busy year highlighted by a rash of thirteen arson fires that spread over four towns. I cannot explain how much time, energy and good old fashioned police work went into catching the perpetrator. I was really impressed how so many police agencies came together and it definitely was a team effort. The Freedom Police Department was also very involved in catching the person that robbed the Rite-Aid Pharmacy in Ossipee. After a several mile chase on foot through the woods and snow we were able to take the subject into custody.

I have been in law enforcement in Carroll County for the last fourteen years and all law enforcement agencies including local, county, state and federal authorities have always worked together in some fashion. In the last year, perhaps because of the economic situation the cooperative policing among all agencies has really improved and worked out very well.

The Freedom Police Department handled nearly 3,000 calls for service in the year 2011. A call for service could be anything from a simple phone call that takes 30 seconds to a felony investigation that can take over a year to resolve and include hundreds of man hours. This averages out to approximately eight calls for service per day. I am not going to list every crime and non-crime call we investigated. I have a book in my office that is approximately six inches thick of all the calls that were answered in 2011. This is a public document and anybody is welcome to review it at anytime.

By the time this report is printed we should be in our new Police Department. I have historically held office hours on Monday evenings at the Town Office during Selectmen meetings. This is probably going to change. I like to attend as many Selectmen's meetings as I can so I most likely will not be in my office during that time. If you need to speak with me please call the non-emergency number at 539-8268 or 539-2284 and you will reach the Carroll County Communications Center. They will give me or one of my Officers the message and we will return your call.

Thanks to all of you who have supported the Police Department over the years. As I have said before, no police department can effectively do its job without the support of its citizens.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chief Josh L. Shackford

TRANSFER STATION

In 2011 we had 906.12 tons removed from the facility of that 26.46% was recycled from our solid waste and 23.36% from the overall total.

A quick reminder, if you are not sure where something goes please ask, it makes things easier for users and operators.

I would like to thank all the department heads and their staff, the Selectmen and my special thanks to the taxpayers and users of the Transfer Station for your much needed support.

"Gettin' good players is easy gettin' 'em to play together
is the hard part" *Casey Stengel*

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Brooks
Transfer Station Manager

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
TRASH	481.27	488.78	507.49
DEMO	248.29	229.79	186.95
RECYCLE	166.02	190.14	182.66
METAL	32.62	31.88	20.19
TIRES	0	18.07	0
CLOTHES	0	4.39	3.53
ELECTRONICS	<u>6.77</u>	<u>9.79</u>	<u>5.30</u>
TOTAL TONS	934.97	972.84	906.12

Summer Hours Begin 05/31/12: Tues, Thurs, Saturday and Sunday 8-5

Winter Hours Begin 09/08/12: Tuesday and Saturday 8-4; Sunday 9-4

CLOSINGS

Easter 04/08/12
Tuesday 05/29/12
Tuesday 07/04/12
Tuesday 09/04/12
Christmas 12/25/11
New Year's 01/01/13

SPECIAL HOURS

Memorial Day 05/28/12 8am - 5pm
Labor Day 09/03/12 8am - 5pm

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

2011 has been both busy and productive. Energetic citizen leadership and work of both volunteer and employees have driven many positive activities and accomplishments. There are far too many to thank individually. We all appreciate your contributions.

The most visible sign of 2011 accomplishment is, of course, the new Public Safety Building. This will prove to be an excellent investment providing much needed space and more importantly compliance with current standards. This will allow for these departments to operate more effectively and efficiently for Freedom. We have a wonderful building of high quality built for a reasonable price - on budget and on time.

Because of a decline in property values, the town reassessed property values in 2011. With the decrease in the town's tax base, the property tax rate had to rise. In anticipation of this and in view of the current economic times, the Board of Selectman (BOS) made the decision to hold a hard line on budgets. The BOS also made financial adjustments keep the property tax bills as close to the same level in 2011 as they were in 2010. So, despite the fact that the tax rate increased from \$10.90 per thousand in value in 2010 up to \$11.49 per thousand in 2011, the bills most taxpayers received in late November 2011 were about the same as, or less than, the previous year.

The economic downturn continues to place great pressure on a few property owners which has resulted in non payment of taxes. Reluctantly, the town was again forced to take title on a few dwellings and lots. Fortunately, by working with the owners we were able return almost all of these properties to them. However, each of these cases requires individual attention and is highly time consuming for both town office staff and the Selectmen. The BOS is continuing to work on ways to reduce this problem in the future.

Over the last two years the BOS has emphasized maintenance of Town Buildings: restoring the Bandstand in 2010 and painting the Town Hall in 2011. We also rebuilt the old Village Fire Station - partially with volunteer labor. The BOS has an expanded facilities management program for town buildings, covering both interiors and exteriors. We will continue to emphasize maintenance.

For a small town, Freedom is fortunate to have very high quality employees. Each department does its job well. The BOS and department heads continually look for ways to provide added value within the today's financial constraints. For example, the fire department will be doing more in the area of fire prevention; the highway department will be looking for any opportunities to use our own employees instead of outside contractors.

The BOS has undertaken a number of initiatives designed to keep our tax rate as low as possible, without negatively affecting our level of service. Finding ways to work with other towns is one opportunity for controlling or reducing costs. Eaton, Madison, Tamworth and Freedom signed a 5-year contract for our ambulance service that produced significant savings. We have done the same by signing a joint Assessing contract with the towns of Sandwich, Tamworth and Tuftonboro. The BOS is continuing to look for additional cost saving opportunities.

Other expense reduction programs are also under way. Les Babb is leading a citizen's committee to review the town's health insurance needs and costs. Scott Brooks is leading another team to review the operations, future needs and costs for the Highway Department. The BOS has reviewed our purchasing policy and made changes to make the process consistent with State requirements.

We are continuing to take a long term view of the financial health of the Town and will be developing a forecast for each department in order to plan the acquisition of capital items. Freedom historically has done this through the use of reserve accounts which have worked well. This longer-term view will help the town identify any unrecognized opportunities.

Another item of note is the action by the state legislature to set the high water level of Ossipee Lake at 407.25 feet. This issue, if unresolved, could have had a potentially serious negative impact on property owners. It also could have hurt valuations and reduced the town's tax base. Many people in Freedom and Ossipee, as well as our Town & State Representatives, worked hard on this issue. We thank them for their efforts.

As we all know, Freedom is a wonderful place to live. Voters and taxpayers have provided excellent support for important Town needs. The Town is financially healthy; has a great sense of community and is in good shape to move forward. The BOS is committed to the philosophy that we work for you as town citizens and taxpayers. We welcome any input and suggestions that you may have. You are also welcome and encouraged to attend our meetings.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

By law, the Planning Board can act on four types of applications: subdivisions, site plan reviews, boundary line adjustments, and mergers of lots. The other major Planning Board responsibility is to write and implement the Master Plan.

Activity in 2011 picked up a bit. The Planning Board considered 6 site plan reviews (approving 5) and approved one boundary line adjustment and one merger of lots.

One of the site plan reviews was for North Atlantic Towers which will bring a cell tower to Freedom. The company is working on finishing up the conditions of approval and hopes to construct the tower in the spring. Two camps, Huckins and Calumet, received approvals to expand their facilities to better meet their campers' needs. Gary Sargent, who has the chain saw carving business on Route 153, also received an approval. Lastly, the town of Freedom came to review the plans for the new safety complex.

Looking forward, the voters will see three zoning changes on the ballot on Town Meeting day, March 13, 2012.

1. Revisions to the Freedom's existing Floodplain Ordinance

The proposed changes will bring the ordinance into compliance with FEMA requirements. These changes are needed so that Freedom residents in flood hazard areas can obtain flood insurance from the National Flood Insurance Program.

2. Revisions to the Home Occupation article

The proposed changes will specifically allow low impact businesses to operate without going to the ZBA for a special exception. Without these changes, any business-no matter how low profile-would need a special exception. The last time voters weighed in on Home Occupation rules was 1987. Much has changed since then! The Planning Board is proposing these changes to recognize the increased number of people who work at home and the changes in the type of work they do there.

3. Revisions to the regulations on cutting trees and vegetation in the Shorefront District.

The Planning Board updated the town's Master Plan in 2006. The community had input into the Master Plan in 2005 in the Community Survey. In that survey, 98.6% of respondents agreed that "Preserving the rivers' and lakes' shorelines is important."

Nutrients and sediment can cloud water and provide an environment where invasive plants can grow. Nutrients and sediment can flow into the water in runoff from banks without enough vegetation. The goal for the changes to the zoning rules for cutting trees in the Shorefront District (300 feet from the water on lakes and rivers) is to protect the water quality from the impact of erosion that can come with cutting.

I want to thank the members of the board for their hard work and dedication this year: Peter Park (vice chair), Ernie Day, Jr., Beth Earle, Pam Keith, Janet Meyers, and Les Babb, the selectmen's representative.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Cunningham
Chair
Planning Board

The regular monthly meetings of the **Freedom Planning Board** are listed below. Meetings are held on the third Thursday at the Freedom Town Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

Completed applications must be submitted by the closing date noted. Items submitted either after this date or incompletely filled out, will not be placed on the agenda; such applications will be deferred.

Application Submittal <u>Closing Deadline</u>	Regular Planning Board <u>Meeting</u>
December 29, 2011	January 19, 2012
January 26, 2012	February 16, 2012
February 23, 2012	March 15, 2012
March 29, 2012	April 19, 2012
April 26, 2012	May 17, 2012
May 31, 2012	June 21, 2012
June 28, 2012	July 19, 2012
July 26, 2012	August 16, 2012
August 30, 2012	September 20, 2012
September 27, 2012	October 18, 2012
October 25, 2012	November 15, 2012
November 29, 2012	December 20, 2012

ZONING OFFICER

The 2011 zoning year was moderately active, with much of the time spent analyzing the home occupation and sign articles of the ordinance. An increase in the number of questions regarding zoning has coincided with population growth in Freedom over the past few years. This is resulting in reexamination of the Town's Zoning Ordinance.

Why do we even have a zoning ordinance? Back in the late 1970s and early 80s, before we had a master plan or zoning, some residents in Town were feeling the potential of undesirable development taking place. Freedom was a quiet getaway. Those residents who drove as far away as North Conway or Portland to shop or eat out came in contact with "growth" and all its side effects. "What if these gas stations, malls, junk yards or race tracks come to Freedom?" Therein was the beginning of zoning. We didn't want our neighbors to bring in the unwanted threats of civilization that would clutter the landscape.

So where should the line be drawn between providing desired uses and home business opportunities to landowners and meeting the needs for services by an increasing population, versus maintaining an as is condition of the rural, uncrowded character of the town? Where can the commercial district in Freedom be increased to accommodate growing businesses, or how can the zoning ordinance be modified to provide needed opportunity for financial growth, and at the same time assure the continued naturalness of the town? How do we balance the potential detrimental impact of population and economic growth with preservation of open space and the way life has always been in northern New England?

Perhaps the restatement of what we all want to see for the future of the Town is the first step to take. This would be the continuation of a high quality and independence of life for all our residents along with the preservation of the natural environment we live in. The identification and application of creative solutions and compromises to specific situations could be productive. From a zoning point of view and looking at our present mostly workable ordinance, this means making minor improvements to tighten protection of the character of the Town, at the same time promoting reasonable use of the land. This difficult work takes time and patience along with an integrated approach through which workable guidelines can be reached.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ned Hatfield

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment reviewed 18 cases in 2011; fourteen of those applications included requests for dimensional variances (requests to build new structures or additions which are located at least in part in the side, front, or rear setbacks). Many of the applications were modified by the applicant to satisfy concerns of the Board. All were granted approval with the exception of the one case still open and one denial. Two equitable waivers were requested and granted. The Board also;

- Granted a special exception to allow Camp Calumet to remove trees and erosion control for construction in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Scott Johnson to construct a stairway in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Gary Sargent to have a wood carving business in the Light Commercial District.
- Granted a special exception to allow George Thompson to repair/replace non-working drain pipe from house to lake in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forest to remove trees within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Ms Stoddard to install silt fence as an erosion control measure during construction in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Mr. Torosian to alter a home with necessary erosion control measures in place within the Shore Front district.
- Granted a special exception to allow Wayne and Linda Walton to construct a garage with proper erosion control in the Shore Front district.

Special exceptions are uses that are allowed provided criteria outlined in the Town Zoning Code are met.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Lees Chairman

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

2012

Regular monthly meetings of the **Freedom Zoning Board of Adjustment** are listed below. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday at the Freedom Town Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

Completed applications must be submitted by 3:00 pm on the closing date noted.

Application Submittal Closing Deadline

January 9, 2012
February 13, 2012
March 12, 2012
April 9, 2012
May 7, 2012
June 11, 2012
July 9, 2012
August 13, 2012
September 10, 2012
October 9, 2012
November 12, 2012
December 3, 2012

Regular ZBA Meeting

January 24, 2012
February 28, 2012
March 27, 2012
April 24, 2012
May 22, 2012
June 26, 2012
July 24, 2012
August 28, 2012
September 22, 2012
October 23, 2012
November 27, 2012
December 18, 2012

BUILDING CODE REPORT

Another year has come and gone and Freedom is still building at a higher rate than most towns in New Hampshire.

The two trends that are taking place at present is the removal of older camps on the lakes and replacing them with modern and more valuable structures. Also remodeling and additions to older homes has become more common because of the low interest rates.

Most of the above is taking place because of people moving from other states who either want to raise their families or retire in Freedom or the surrounding areas.

The work load was consistent with past years and includes the following:

- 146 permits were issued
- \$17,065.89 in permit fees were collected
- 9 single family house permits were issued
- \$3,878,500.00 was the value of construction
- 4 written cease and desists were issued
- 1 house was condemned
- 6 stop work orders were issued
- 137 construction related inspections were performed

I am into my fourth year as Building Inspector and I am thankful to the Town staff and the residence of the Town for making it a pleasurable experience.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert M. Babine
Building Code Officer

FREEDOM CONSERVATION COMMISSION (FCC)

Chairman, R.A. Oram

FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FAC)

Chairman, Rob Hatch

FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE (FAISC)

Chairman, Jim McElroy

Rob, Jim, and I would like to pass on to you that we realize that you have entrusted to us the proper utilization and protection of the town's natural resources. It is our goal to develop a long range program based on responsible management practices. The Forest Stewardship Plan for the Freedom Town Forest was prepared for the Town and the State of New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) by B H Keith Associates. The stewardship plan is directive in nature and guides all forest activity. Since receiving the easement, the condition of the town forest has dictated our energies and prioritized them to meet the easement directives.

It is our desire to offer educational opportunities especially to youth, family, friends and the community. We hope to encourage others to develop a passion for the protection of natural resources and responsible development within our town.

EASEMENT

The conservation easement, which is held by the State of NH DRED states that the following objectives will be accomplished: conserve wildlife habitat, preserve and enhance bio-diversity, maintain watershed health and restoration, safeguard recreation, and conduct community-based forestry.

- Steve Walker, Stewardship Specialist, Conservation Land Stewardship Program, conducted the annual DRED conservation easement inspection. Steve said, "When one considers what could have happened to this property were it not protected, and then one looks at the mountain of improvements that have occurred in just a few short years, their work is nothing short of exemplary." Members of the FCC/FAC (Chuck Depew, Bill Elliott, Jim McElroy, Ron Newbury, and R.A. Oram) and Rich Gerard and Barry Keith accompanied Steve during the inspection.
- The following summarizes the tasks accomplished to date in 2011 (submitted by B H Keith Associates on 11/17/11):
 - **Timber Sale:** Improvement/selection thinning began during early October on the town forest. A small cable skidder (conventional logging) was utilized using the established log landing located off of Jackman Ridge Road. The whole tree chip operation began in late October utilizing the former log landing located on the snowmobile trail/wood road east of the kiosk and parking lot to Mary's Mountain. A temporary steel bridge was installed over the existing snowmobile bridge which is not designed to hold the weight of loaded log trucks. This harvest generated low grade pulpwood, wood chips, and limited sawlogs. A small patch cut was established to enhance early successional habitat, and shrub growth. Both of these logging operations were completed in December.

- **Wildlife Habitat Plan:** The original log landing used for this timber sale (chipping operation) has been expanded in size and will eventually be seeded and periodically brush-hogged/mowed to serve as a permanent wildlife opening to provide valuable grass/shrub wildlife habitat.
- **Boundary Line Maintenance:** A boundary map provided by HEB Civil Engineers depicts the boundary lines that have been blazed and painted and brushed and flagged to date. This is an ongoing process to be completed in the near future.

FCC/FAC VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

- Janet Johnson developed and produced a new Freedom Town Forest brochure/trail guide.
- Mowing of wildlife areas was completed by Greg Bossart. In addition, volunteers Greg Bossart, Bill Elliott, Rob Hatch, and R.A. Oram limed wildlife areas.
- FAC/FCC coordinated with Scott Brooks to contract a tractor operator to bush hog the Jackman Ridge road shoulders.
- Signage was added at entrance locations and gates were repainted and numbered (Ron Newbury).
- A new sign was added, located at Shawtown Road (near the Bluff's entrance), directing visitors to the Mary's Mountain kiosk. Thanks to Rob Hatch and his artistic carpentry skills for fashioning the town forest signs.
- Cleanup of forest was completed by Dave Charrette, Alice Custard, Chuck Depew, Rob Hatch, Janet Johnson, Janet Myers, Jim McElroy, Ron Newbury, and R.A. Oram. We are happy to report that there was minimal trash which reinforces that property visitors appreciate our 2,660+ acre wildlife habitat.
- Mary's Mountain hike was conducted during Old Home Week. Thank you to Chuck Depew for his in-depth historical knowledge of Freedom Town Forest and the surrounding areas.
- In cooperation with the Loon Preservation Society, a loon nesting platform was constructed and placed on Trout Pond (Rob Hatch and Chuck Depew).
- The FCC members are: Justin Brooks, Greg Bossart, Alice Custard, Bill Elliott, Rob Hatch, Sue Hopple, Jim McElroy, and R.A. Oram.
- FAC members are: Dave Charrette, Chuck Depew, Rob Hatch, Janet Johnson, Janet Meyers, and Ron Newbury.

FCC

- The Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act (SWQPA) was originally named the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act (CSPA). FCC continued to evaluate and make recommendations to land owners who submit applications for work in and around the shoreline.

TECHNICAL/ADMIN. SUPPORT

FCC and FAC extend a job well done to the town administrative staff, Karen Hatch, Linda Farinella, Holly Brooks, and Dianne Park who support us with timely and accurate schedules, notes and postings. The continued success of the Freedom Town Forest is exemplified in the easement holder annual reports. FCC and FAC extend a thank you for the technical support of Freedom Town Foresters, Rich Gerard and Barry Keith.

FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE (FAISC)

This group is focused on helping Freedom control aquatic invasive species through both preventative and active management procedures. This formalizes and strengthens the efforts of a number of volunteers that have been engaged in this effort over the past decade.

Education of the populace is a critical element of FAISC efforts as invasive species are primarily spread by human activity on our water bodies. Again this year we made a concerted effort to "get the word out" by writing articles and making presentations at local events (e.g. Freedom Community Club). The goals of this work are to better inform those who use our waterways as to how to identify invasive species (such as variable milfoil - our current enemy in Freedom) and what can be done to minimize the threat of further infestations.

Perhaps one of the more pleasurable parts of our FAISC efforts (especially for us former "desk jockeys") is conducting surveys of various lakes and ponds to look for evidence of new infestations and to characterize existing milfoil sites to help determine the efficacy of treatment activities. This compliments surveys done by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES).

We believe that this preventative work is already paying dividends as we are now routinely receiving calls from concerned residents who think they may have found a new infestation (early detection is critical). Three new infestations were uncovered/verified in this manner on Broad Bay and Leavitt Bay (one in Freedom and two in Ossipee). Once the precise location is determined, the results are reported to NHDES and the appropriate town conservation commission so that the responsible group can take action.

Active management efforts this year included both a herbicide treatment on Danforth Ponds and at Ossipee Lake Marina, as well as diver assisted suction harvesting (DASH) and hand pulling of milfoil on the Danforths. We also assisted NHDES divers as they conducted DASH efforts on Leavitt Bay (volunteer time only).

Significant improvements were achieved by these efforts but some re-growth was seen in follow-up surveys (as predicted by NHDES). Feedback from lake abutters has been uniformly positive towards this work. A number of residents are again able to use their swimming areas due to the significant reduction of variable milfoil. In addition, we have seen an increase in contributions from residents and businesses to our milfoil fund with special thanks to Bruce and June Howlett for their very generous gift. Based on survey results, NHDES updated our milfoil management plan and proposed work for 2012. We have secured schedule time from our preferred contractor to conduct the work for the upcoming season.

We were able to apply for and be awarded a state grant that covered 30% of the cost of the herbicide treatment for 2011. In addition we applied for and received a state grant for 2012 which will cover 50% of our efforts next year - up to \$5,463 (assuming DASH/hand pulling techniques).

Thanks to the town administrative staff, Karen Hatch and Linda Farinella, who supported this effort with notification mailings to lake abutters and coordination of contracts and state grants.

Respectfully Submitted,
R.A. Oram, Chairman FCC
Robert Hatch, Chairman FAC
Jim McElroy, FAISC

The **Freedom Conservation Commission** meets on the third Tuesday of each month commencing at 7:00 pm at the Freedom Town Hall.

MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2012

January 17
February 21
March 20
April 17
May 15
June 19
July 17
August 21
September 18
October 6
November 20
December 18

The **Forest Advisory Board** meets on the first Wednesday of each month commencing at 7:00 pm at the Freedom Town Hall.

MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2012

January 4
February 1
March 7
April 4
May 2
June 6
July 11
August 1
September 5
October 3
November 7
December 5

HERITAGE COMMISSION REPORT

This Commission was established at the March 2009 Town meeting for the purpose of researching and recording the history of buildings and land features in the Town of Freedom, NH. This is done in cooperation with the Historical Society.

The six members, Select Board Representative and Alternates meet at the Library five times a year to report, plan and transact formal business of the Commission. Agenda and approved meeting minutes are available on the Town Web Site and in printed form at the Town Office. The public is always welcome at these meetings and to participate in the activities.

The real work is done by members, associates and friends outside of the meetings. We have a list of projects that will take years to accomplish. During 2011 our efforts were focused on:

- Communicating results of the investigation by Lee Fritz on what 25 neighbor ing towns have done to preserve and utilize old buildings.
- Apply for and receive approval to place the Town Office Building on the State Registry of Historical Places.
- Begin application to place School House Hill on State Registry of Neighborhood Historical Districts
- Good progress being made by Bonnie Burroughs on finding and recording all of the barns in Freedom.
- Research and report on the missing and wrong information regarding Church Bells in Freedom. Report presented at the November Community Club meeting.
- Participate in workshops with statewide Heritage and Historical organiza tions. Our program has more activity and accomplishments than those of many locations.
- Assisted other Town organizations with research on building modifications and publications.

Members and alternates contributed a total of 1,289 hours to the accomplishment of Commission business in 2011.

Sincerely,

Alan Fall, Chairperson
Carol Foord, Vice-Chairperson
Bob Smart, Secretary/Treasurer
Bonnie Burroughs, Member
Gale Morris, Member
Peg Scully, Member

Raymond Dahlstrom, Alternate
Alice Spear, Alternate
Gail Bizer, Alternate
Lee Fritz, Alternate
Scott Cunningham - Select Brd. Rep

MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2012

January 12
April 12
June 14
September 13
November 8

The Division of Historical Resources

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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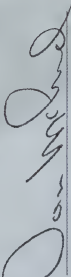
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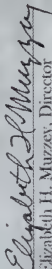
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25 April 2011


Don McLeod
Commission
Department of Cultural Resources


Elizabeth H. Muzzey, Director
State Historic Preservation Officer
Division of Historical Resources


Mary Kate Ryan
State Survey Coordinator
Division of Historical Resources

ROAD AGENT REPORT

DID YOU EVER WONDER WHERE WE'D BE WITHOUT ROADS? -- roads mean to us; our commerce, our civilization, and our society. Without our roads there is no way we can move into the future. Cars, trucks, and other vehicles would have no purpose.

We need to continue to update and improve what we already have and maintain that leadership role.

Our town roads that are paved are paved with Gold --- Black Gold.

Our paved roads are a valuable asset that needs to be maintained, protected, and preserved. We need in fact, to protect our pavement investment. We must ensure the continuous functioning of our roads as one of our most valuable assets. Spending money to keep good roads in good condition is a cost-effective way to save the highways. The roads must not become a political football, but rather must have our best long-term interests at heart.

Remember, we paid to have it laid -- these are our roads, our investment, and our future.

In today's times, system preservation has become the priority for ensuring serviceable pavements. The primary goal is to preserve the existing highway staving off the inevitable system failure as long as possible. But sooner or later you have to take care of the system by getting underneath the pavement and reconstructing the base; using today's prevention strategies, advances in materials, technologies and techniques that lower costs, enhance the environment, and improves the condition of the roadway.

Asphalt is the most recycled product in the country. Thanks to the improvements in design, materials and processes, the service life of pavements have been dramatically extended, even as usage has skyrocketed. Recycling reduces costs.

Ever increasing traffic, extreme climates, and the continuous need for maintenance pressure road budgets around the world every day.

I now have a five member committee that will be in review of the Highway Department's Maintenance Programs, Equipment, and Road Improvements.

MAINTENANCE: (Performed by the Highway Department)

850 Galion Grader -- (14 years old) with 5912 hours. Disassembled, prepped, and painted

7500 International Truck -- (9 years old) Replaced Rear Brake Assemblies

Plow Frames -- Repaired, Sandblasted, Primed, and Painted

Plows and Wings -- Repaired, Sandblasted, Primed, and Painted

Brush and Tree Clearance -- Includes the roads: Pequawket Trail, Sherwood Forest, Berry Bay

IMPROVEMENTS:

Freedom Point --

(1) Concrete Structure, 40 Ft of 15" HDPE Culvert, 300 Ft of 6" Underdrain, 150 Ft of Road Bed Reconstruction using: 12" of 304.2 Gravel, 4" of 304.3, and 2" of $\frac{3}{4}$ " Asphalt Binder

Nason Road --

(2) Concrete Structures, 140 Ft of 15" HDPE Culvert, 170 Ft of 6" Underdrain, 150 Ft of Road Bed Reconstruction on the beginning of the road where unsuitable material was removed and road fabric, 12" of Stone, and 12" of 304.2 were installed. The entire road received: 4" of 304.3 Gravel and 2" of $\frac{3}{4}$ " Asphalt Binder

Pequawket Trail --

(6) Concrete Structures, 40 Ft of 6" Underdrain, Road Elevations graded with some areas lowered and some raised using, 8" of 304.2 Gravel, 4" of 304.3 Gravel, 2" of $\frac{3}{4}$ " Asphalt Binder

West Bay Road --

Concrete Structure

Shoulder Refurbishment and Graveled Roads --

Ossipee Lake Road, Bennett Road, Pequawket Trail, Huckins Road, Moulton Road, and Swett Hill

As we continue our cooperative effort to maintain and improve the roads of Freedom I thank everyone who contributes to our success year after year. After another year of great work from the men of the Highway Department I wish to thank them especially because without them we could not have the roads we have.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott N. Brooks Sr.
Road Agent

FREEDOM OLD HOME WEEK

The 2011 theme for Old Home Week was "Growing with Freedom". This focused on the many facets of everyone's connections to Freedom: whether born here, growing up here, vacationing here, working here, retiring here...we are all working together to grow with Freedom.

The traditional OHW fundraiser, Rubber Ducky Day, was held on Saturday, July 2; 1200 ducks found themselves racing over the falls this year with the first 3 ducks as the prize winners. The beautiful day and an increase in the prize money may have been factors in the record sell out of tickets this year, as well as a morning filled with an all you can eat breakfast by the Masons, kid's games, FOHW merchandize, food, and hay wagon rides.

The Friday night Lawn Party kicked off the 10 days of Old Home Week, July 29 - August 7, socializing to the sounds of the Codfish Aristocracy. The parade had a lot of floats, marchers and several bands. The Grand Marshall was Albert Godfrey riding in Emery and Ellie Stokes' grand auto. Some new events this year were the Little Red Wagon theater group presenting Little Red Riding Hood, Freedom Dances, and the Home Run Derby which all delighted a large crowd of children and adults. We also launched a revised website, freedomoldhomeweek.org.

We would like to thank the 25 dedicated committee members and many volunteers for the numerous tasks that they perform, assigned and unassigned, throughout the year from December through August: Gail Bizer (children's games, parade flag bearers); Howie and Sylvia Bouve (duck race, volunteer party); Sylvia Carney (floats and bands, land sports, water sports, family entertainment, publicity); Anne Cunningham (food concessions, bingo, nine months of minutes and to do lists); Bill Elliott (rubber ducky day, ice cream social); Lucy and Marshall Kendall (merchandize); Arlene Knight (food concessions and clown school); Dick Many (parade judges, lawn party); Janet Meyers (organizing parade marchers, treasurer); Kim Reis (webmaster); Lynn and Marcia Santner (boat race, parade); John Shipman (cardboard boat race, ping pong, tables & chairs and much more); Bob Smart (church activities); Dan Spear (canoe/kayak regatta and general help at all times); Ellie and Emery Stokes (cardboard boat race and all their infinite wisdom and experience); Sally Stoops (lawn party).

Pam Keith (talent night); Gene Doe and crew (lobster dinner); Fireman's Auxiliary (snacks at events); Alice Peterson, Dean & Judy Robertson (FCC craft fair); Cindy Davis (5K road race); Cindy Sawyer (tennis tournament); Chuck and Terrie Brooks (freedom dances) and Ted Acton for the music; Jim Farinella (home run derby); Conservation Committee and the Manhards (hikes); Elizabeth Rhymer (library events); Frank Massiglia, Pam MacRae (cardboard boat race).

We would also like to thank the town for their financial support, Jeannie Kestner and Freedom Crossroads and all local sponsors for printing and distributing our schedule, Eastham and Mary Hockmeyer (barn events), Vinnie Beadle and Freedom Water Precinct (buildings for storage); Allison Mierzykowski (photography); Dick Goff (lawn party bartending); Patrick Miele and John Immediato (good neighbors); Camp Huckins (water sports); Camp Calumet (land sports); the Masons (breakfasts); Freedom Market, Indian Mound Hardware, Bobby Sues, Windy Fields Farm, Bearcamp Gardens (bingo prizes); and the following for general help whenever needed: John and Mary Ann Hogan, Don Bossi, the Birnie family, Mike Gaudette, Art Robinson, Charlie Peterson, Joel Rhymer, Kyle Kestner.

I would especially like to thank John Shipman, out going chairman, for his many years as chairman and for his indefatigable help and support, making my first year as chair a whole lot easier. His are big shoes to fill but thankfully many dedicated volunteers to help.

Again, many thanks go to all the volunteers, property owners, police, fire department, town officials and Freedom citizens who made this event fun and successful. It was a great example of everyone coming together. Watch our website for 2012 activities scheduled for August 3-12, 2012 with Rubber Ducky Day on Saturday, June 30, 2012

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan M. Marks, Chair
Freedom Old Home Week Committee

Susan Marks (Chair), Anne Cunningham (Secretary), Janet Meyers (Treasurer), Gail Bizer, Howard Bouve, Sylvia Carney, Bill Elliott, Lucy and Marshall Kendall, Arlene and Paul Knight, Dick Many, Carol and Bill McIntire, Jennifer Molin, Kim Reis, Judy Robertson, Marcia and Lynn Santner, John Shipman, Bob Smart, Dan Spear, Ellie and Emery Stokes, Sally Stoops

OSSIPEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY'S REPORT

The following is a report of the expense of the Dam Authority for the year 2011. Figures for the split between the two towns are based on the assessed equalized value of the two towns. These figures are furnished by the State of New Hampshire, D.R.A.

Sum Required By DES	\$30,000.00
Expenditures:	\$14,125.00

Equalization Assessment Value		
Ossipee	654,166,487.00	56% of \$14,125.00 = \$7,910.00
Freedom	515,893,701.00	44% of \$14,125.00 = \$6,215.00

These figures are revised each and every year, in order to bring the deficit of the past year up to \$30,000.00, the beginning balance of the coming year.

The following is a report of expenses for the Dam Authority for the year 2011.

Fairpoint	\$479.00
PSNH	206.00
Postmaster	50.00
DES Bearcamp Gauge	7,450.00
John Picard/Chairman (Salary)	5,000.00
Robert Houle/Sec. Tres. (Salary)	500.00
Snow Removal	<u>440.00</u>
Expense	\$14,125.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert F. Houle
Secretary/Treasurer

TITLE LXIV
PLANNING AND ZONING
CHAPTER 674
LOCAL LAND USE PLANNING AND REGULATORY POWERS
Regulation of Subdivision of Land
Section 674:39-aa

674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots. -

I. In this section:

(a) "Involuntary merger" and "involuntarily merged" mean lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes without the consent of the owner.

(b) "Owner" means the person or entity that holds legal title to the lots in question, even if such person or entity did not hold legal title at the time of the involuntary merger.

(c) "Voluntary merger" and "voluntarily merged" mean a merger under RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

II. Lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 by a city, town, county, village district, or any other municipality, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the governing body prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.

III. All decisions of the governing body may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.

IV. Any municipality may adopt local ordinances, including ordinances enacted prior to the effective date of this section, to restore previously merged properties that are less restrictive than the provisions in paragraph I and II.

V. The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

VI. Municipalities shall post a notice informing residents that any involuntarily merged lots may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request. Such notice shall be posted in a public place no later than January 1, 2012 and shall remain posted through December 31, 2016. Each municipality shall also publish the same or similar notice in its 2011 through 2015 annual reports.

Source. 2011, 206:4, eff. July 24, 2011.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2011

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL		EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR		CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME		BALANCE ADDED TO	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
					NEW FUNDS						PRIN	YEAR		
COMMON TRUST:														
1919	Nancy Skillings	Cem P/C	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1919	Nancy Burns	All	All	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	200.00	
1922	Lord & Fowler			200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	200.00	
1922	Eliza A Alley			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1924	Ina E Foss			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1924	Metcalf & Cushing			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1924	M C & Stephen Allard			150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1.66	1.66	0.00	0.00	150.00	
1924	Edward H Nason			210.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.00	2.32	2.32	0.00	0.00	210.00	
1925	A R & Lilla Bennett			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1927	F W Towle			500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	5.53	5.53	0.00	0.00	500.00	
1927	Parsons Yard			700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	7.74	7.74	0.00	0.00	700.00	
1927	J C Libby & V H Connors Lots			500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	5.53	5.53	0.00	0.00	500.00	
1928	John W Smith			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1928	Jennie Meserve			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1932	James Wood			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1935	George W Chase			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1937	Joseph H Corson			50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.55	0.55	0.00	0.00	50.00	
1937	Hulda J Downing			200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	200.00	
1938	Godfrey Fund			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1939	Frank P Corson			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1939	Lavinia F Farnsworth			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1939	Howard B Moulton			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1940	Ellen Mitchel			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00	
1941	Stevens, Sweetser, Marston, Harmon			450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	4.98	4.98	0.00	0.00	450.00	
TOTAL				4,560.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,560.00	50.43	50.43	0.00	0.00	4,560.00	

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2011

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	[	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END OF YEAR	II	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE ADDED TO] PRIN]	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
	COMMON TRUST:												
1943	Jessie Drew	Cem P/C	CD		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1948	Jessie S Allard	All	All		100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1952	Minnie R Towle				112.00	0.00	0.00	112.00		1.24	1.24	0.00	112.00
1952	John J Giles				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1953	Carrie B Moses				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1957	Minnie A Eastman				200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00		2.21	2.21	0.00	200.00
1957	F M Meloon & J M Parsons				200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00		2.21	2.21	0.00	200.00
1958	Elsie M Thurston				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1958	Ernest A Leavitt				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1958	Kezar Cemetery Fund				200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00		2.21	2.21	0.00	200.00
1958	Moulton Cemetery				200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00		2.21	2.21	0.00	200.00
1959	George & Alfreda Hayes				200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00		2.21	2.21	0.00	200.00
1960	Chester H Drake				500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00		5.53	5.53	0.00	500.00
1963	Emelie P Holmgren				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1963	Charles H Watts				450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00		4.98	4.98	0.00	450.00
1963	Nelson C Works				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1965	Giles Lot - Swetts Hill				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1965	Cutting Lot				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1965	Andrews Lot				200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00		2.21	2.21	0.00	200.00
1966	Lord Cemetery				2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00		22.12	22.12	0.00	2,000.00
1966	Florence Seymour				500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00		5.53	5.53	0.00	500.00
1968	John Works				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1968	John C & Marie Lee				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
1968	Jesse Nason & Beck Lot				100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		1.11	1.11	0.00	100.00
	TOTAL			[10,622.00	0.00	0.00	10,622.00	II	117.47	117.47	0.00]	10,622.00

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December 31, 2011

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					NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR			EXPENDED DURING YEAR	YEAR		
COMMON TRUST:												
1969	Albert Phinney	Cem P/C	CD	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1.66	1.66	0.00	0.00	150.00
1969	Drake Lot	All	All	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	3.32	3.32	0.00	0.00	300.00
1972	Lord Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1973	B F Allard & J Durgin			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1976	Charles Bryant Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1977	David Smith Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1977	Albion & Alonzo Pease Lot			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	200.00
1982	Winston V & Margaret Morrow			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1982	Stephen & Elmira Danforth			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1987	Ernest & Rachel Mulvey			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	200.00
1988	Gordon D Stokes			800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	8.85	8.85	0.00	0.00	800.00
1988	Pauline Sargent Rounds			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	200.00
1988	Abe Sargent			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1988	Frederick & Elisabeth Towle			300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	3.32	3.32	0.00	0.00	300.00
1988	Mary S Morrison			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1989	Charles & Mary H Stewart			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1989	William A & Sally Stoops			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
1989	David Sargent			40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.44	0.44	0.00	0.00	40.00
1999	Town Cemetery Fund			1,841.00	0.00	0.00	1,841.00	20.36	20.36	0.00	0.00	1,841.00
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS				[15,653.00	0.00	0.00	15,653.00]	173.11	173.11	0.00	0.00	15,653.00
1938	Belinda C Wood	Library	CD	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	11.05	11.05	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
1985	Ernest Myrick	Library	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	1.11	1.11	0.00	0.00	100.00
TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS				[1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00]	12.16	12.16	0.00	0.00	1,100.00
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS				[16,753.00	0.00	0.00	16,753.00]	185.27	185.27	0.00	0.00	16,753.00

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2011

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					NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR					
GENERAL FUNDS:											
Expendable Trust Funds:											
2001	School District	Spec Ed	CD	33,654.11	3,000.00	0.00	36,654.11	402.23	0.00	402.23	37,056.34
2002	Town	Road Right of Way	CD	11,355.31	0.00	0.00	11,355.31	125.46	0.00	125.46	11,480.77
2006	Town	Removal of Milfoil	CD	6,852.40	8,500.00	8,000.00	7,352.40	76.28	0.00	76.28	7,428.68
2009	Public Library	Maint Bldg & Equip	CD	5,015.46	2,500.00	0.00	7,515.46	58.19	0.00	58.19	7,573.65
2011	Police Dept	Equip	CD	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00	22.19	0.00	22.19	20,022.19
2011	Town Hall & Town Office	Maint	CD	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5.55	0.00	5.55	5,005.55
	TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS			56,877.28	39,000.00	8,000.00	87,877.28	689.90	0.00	689.90	88,567.18
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:											
1996	School District	Bus	CD	14,769.21	23,000.00	0.00	37,769.21	396.03	0.00	396.03	38,165.24
1996	Highway Department	Equip	CD	74,071.68	30,000.00	34,700.00	69,371.68	500.47	0.00	500.47	69,872.15
2002	Fire Department	Equip	CD	161,345.86	0.00	0.00	161,345.86	1,782.78	0.00	1,782.78	163,128.64
2006	Town	New Municipal Bldg & Land	CD	171,282.99	0.00	142,025.07	29,257.92	1,724.34	0.00	1,724.34	30,982.26
2007	Transfer Station	Equip	CD	10,259.64	5,000.00	0.00	15,259.64	118.91	0.00	118.91	15,378.55
2009	School District	Boiler	CD	14,242.84	7,000.00	0.00	21,242.84	228.23	0.00	228.23	21,471.07
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVES			445,972.22	65,000.00	176,725.07	334,247.15	4,750.76	0.00	4,750.76	338,997.91
TOTAL ALL TRUST FUNDS											
				519,602.50	104,000.00	184,725.07	438,877.43	5,625.93	185.27	5,440.66	444,318.09

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH
December 31, 2011

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	[	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL	GAINS OR (LOSSES)	||	BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	]	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
TD Bank	Cem P/C	CD	[	15,653.00	0.00	0.00	||	15,653.00	173.11	173.11	0.00	]	15,653.00
TD Bank	Library	CD	[	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	||	1,100.00	12.16	12.16	0.00	]	1,100.00
TOTALS			[	16,753.00	0.00	0.00	||	16,753.00	185.27	185.27	0.00	]	16,753.00

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011

<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>
04/13/11	Rogers, Alexis Shelia Rose	Rogers, Brian	Rogers, Karen	N Conway
07/29/11	Crawford Guilford, Brennan Carter	Crawford Guilford, Zachariah	Wales, Nicole	N Conway

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
01/02/11	Freedom	Killam, Beatrice	Loveys, J A	Erksine, Maude
01/06/11	Freedom	Holmgren, Louise	Mongeau, Theodore	McCarthy, Catherine
01/15/11	Wolfeboro	Mitchell, Marion	Colby, Francis	Barker, Ruth
02/23/11	Wolfeboro	Tardie, Arthur Jr.	Tardie, Arthur Sr.	Jefferson, Eleanor
03/31/11	Wolfeboro	Meserve, Robert	Meserve, Frank Sr.	Emerson, Marguerite
04/17/11	N Conway	Verney, Susan	Verney, Barry	Young, Marilyn
06/25/11	Wolfeboro	Packard, Elizabeth	Turner, Roy	Jenkins, Mary
09/06/11	N Conway	Amico, Angelo	Amico, Joseph	Ardito, Bernice
09/08/11	Dover	Lizotte, Alfred	Unknown	Unknown
11/19/11	Freedom	Carlson, Nancy	Johnson, Ernest	Svensson, Karin

Respectfully submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011

<u>Date of Marriage</u>	<u>Name and Surname of Person A and Person B</u>	<u>Residence at time of marriage</u>
03-18-2011	Jones, Stephen M. Cohn, Kathryn H.	Freedom, NH Freedom, NH
06-11-2011	Breen, Heather M. Knirk, Ian S.	Ashland, MA Ashland, MA
06-18-2011	DeLorme, Jennifer S. Crowley, Francis B. IV	Lancaster, MA Lancaster, MA
06-18-2011	McHugh, Catherine Petty, Mark W.	Woburn, MA Woburn, MA
07-09-2011	Watson, Laura K. Erickson, Leif C.	Francestown, NH Freedom, NH
07-26-2011	MacKenzie, Melissa C. Dunham-Conway, Llia M.	Standish, ME Standish, ME
10-13-2011	Groleau, Sarah A. Willey, Gordon T.	Freedom, NH Freedom, NH
10-22-2011	Turner, F. Peter A. Fall, Melissa C.	Dallas, TX Dallas, TX

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FREEDOM

REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Board or Committee of interest? _____

Resident: Yes/No (circle one) Registered Voter: Yes/No (circle one)

How long have you lived in Freedom? _____

Are you able to attend monthly meetings? _____

Have you served on any commissions or boards? _____

If so, which ones? _____

If not, what is your background or experience pertaining to this board or committee? _____

Are you willing to attend classes and/or seminars to educate yourself about laws and procedures for the desired position? _____

Current clubs or organizations you are affiliated with: _____

In your own words, why do you want to serve on this board or committee and what can you contribute? _____

(Please use back or additional sheet, if necessary)

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Please return this form to the Freedom Town Office or mail to:

Freedom Board of Selectmen

PO Box 227 Freedom, NH 03836

NOTES

SELECTMEN

Paul Cunningham, Chairman

Ned Doyle

Leslie Dault

Donna

Monday 8:30 pm

Telephone: 539-4373

NOTES

TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY

CLOSINGS

Memorial Day 5/28/12

Independence Day 7/4/12

Labor Day 9/3/12

Columbus Day 10/8/12

Seaside Day 11/12/12

Thanksgiving Day 11/22/12

Christmas 12/24&25/12

New Year's 1/1/13

Civil Rights Day 1/21/13

President Day 2/28/13

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday 9am to 1pm

Telephone: 539-3318

TOWN CLERK

A. Elizabeth Proctor

Office Hours:

Monday-Evenings 6:30 to 8pm

Tuesday 12 noon to 3pm

Wednesday 9am to 1pm & 6:30 to 8pm

Saturday: 9am to 12 noon

Telephone: 539-4309

TOWN CLERK'S HOLIDAY

& ELECTION DAY CLOSINGS

Town Meeting 2/12/13

Memorial Day 5/28/12

Independence Day 7/4/12

Civil Rights Day 1/21/13

Labor Day 9/3/12

State Primary Election 5/13/13

Columbus Day 10/8/12

General Election 11/6/12

Nativity's Day 11/12/12

Christmas 12/24&25/12

New Year's 12/31/12&1/1/13

Civil Rights Day 1/21/13

Thanksgiving Day 11/22/12

Town Meeting 2/12/13

TAX COLLECTOR

Annette Dault

Office Hours:

1st & 3rd Sat 9am - noon (Tax-Start)

2nd & 4th Mondays 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Telephone: 539-5572

ZONING OFFICER

Ned Hatfield

Office Hours:

Thursday 9am - 1pm

Telephone: 539-6721

TRANSFER/RECYCLING

FACILITY

Phone 210-1

Hours 1 thru 5pm Week

Days & Sat. 8am to 1pm

Sunday 9am to 1pm

Seasonal hours:

Robert Murphy / Ned Hatfield

Dale, David, Ted & Sandra

8am to 5pm

Telephone: 539-7168

BUILDING CODE OFFICER

Robert Murphy

Office Hours:

Thursday 9am - 1pm

Telephone: 539-6173

*Meeting dates and office hours
are subject to change.*

NOTES

SELECTMEN

Scott Cunningham, Chairman

Neal Boyle

Leslie Babb

Hours:

Monday 6:30 pm

Telephone: 539-6323

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thurs 8am to 3pm

Telephone: 539-6323

TOWN CLERK

A. Elizabeth Priebe

Office Hours:

Monday Evenings 6:30 to 8pm

Tuesday 12 noon to 8pm

Wednesday 9am to 3pm & 6:30 to 8pm

Saturday: 9am to 12 noon

Telephone: 539-8269

TAX COLLECTOR

Annette Babb

Office Hours:

1st & 3rd Sat 9am - noon (Dec-Mar)

2nd & 4th Mondays 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Telephone: 539-5572

ZONING OFFICER

Ned Hatfield

Office Hours:

Thursday 9am - 2pm

Telephone 539-6323

BUILDING CODE OFFICER

Robert Babine

Office Hours:

Thursday 9am - 2pm

Telephone: 539-6323

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TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Memorial Day 5/28/12

Independence Day 7/4/12

Labor Day 9/3/12

Columbus Day 10/8/12

Veteran's Day 11/12/12

Thanksgiving Day 11/22/12

Christmas 12/24&25/12

New Year's 1/1/13

Civil Rights Day 1/21/13

Presidents Day 2/18/13

TOWN CLERK'S HOLIDAY & ELECTION DAY CLOSINGS

Town Meeting 3/13/12

Memorial Day 5/28/12

Independence Day 7/4/12

Old Home Day 8/4/12

Labor Day 9/3/12

State Primary Election 9/11/12

Columbus Day 10/8/12

General Election 11/06/12

Veteran's Day 11/12/12

Christmas 12/24&25/12

New Year's 12/31/12&1/1/13

Civil Rights Day 01/21/13

President's Day 2/18/13

Town Meeting 03/12/13

TRANSFER/RECYCLING FACILITY

Winter Hours:

Begins Labor Day Week

Tues. & Sat. 8 am to 4pm

Sunday 9am to 4pm

Summer Hours:

Begins Memorial Day Weekend

Tues., Thurs., Sat. & Sunday

8am to 5pm

Telephone: 539-5364

